

Rising 10th Grade Summer Reading 2017

Welcome to Summer, dear readers! For your assigned Summer Reading:

- College Prep and Honors students will read their specific Core Novel, which will form the basis of the first unit of study for Trimester 1 in August.

PLUS

- College Prep and Honors students will choose and read at least one book from the Choice List.

Successfully reading (and ENJOYING) these books will translate into starting the year strong. Please return to school in August ready to discuss all aspects of the core novel, as well as your chosen book(s).

Most books are available in several formats, including paperback, audio (Overdrive, CD, Audible.com, iTunes) and eBook (Overdrive, Kindle, iTunes).

Our NBPS Overdrive Collection can be accessed at
<https://northbrowardfl.libraryreserve.com>. Sign in with your student id to check out and download ebooks and audiobooks.

No matter which versions you read or listen to, you must also own a print or digital copy of your core novel to bring to class in August.

**We will be using the one core novel as the focus of study for our first look into the novel as text. With your choice book, you will be asked to construct a blog and compose a book review for your first blog entry. More information will be supplied in the first week of class. For now, read and enjoy!

Core Novel College Prep and Honors

The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie
Budding cartoonist Junior leaves his troubled school on the Spokane Indian Reservation to attend an all-white farm town school where the only other Native American is the school mascot.

Choice List

The Red Queen (Red Queen bk. 1) by Victoria Aveyard

Mare Barrow's world is divided by blood--those with common, Red blood serve the Silver-blooded elite, who are gifted with superhuman abilities. Mare is a Red, scraping by as a thief in a poor, rural village, until a twist of fate throws her in front of the Silver court. As Mare is drawn further into the Silver world, she risks everything. One wrong move can lead to death.

Every Last Word by Tamara Ireland Stone

On the surface, Samantha McAllister has it all—success as a competitive swimmer and a group of popular friends. But inside she struggles with a secret that she fears could unravel everything: her purely obsessional OCD. At the start of junior year, Sam meets Caroline, who helps her manage her obsessions and draws her into the secret Poet's Corner, where she finds acceptance and refuge. But now that she has found her tribe, does she need to keep up the ruse of being "normal"?

Belzhar by Meg Wolitzer

If life were fair, Jam Gallahue would still be at home in New Jersey with her sweet British boyfriend, Reeve Maxfield. She'd be watching old comedy sketches with him. She certainly wouldn't be at The Wooden Barn, a therapeutic boarding school in rural Vermont, signed up for a mysterious class called Special Topics in English. But life isn't fair, and Reeve Maxfield is dead. Until an assignment leads Jam to Belzhar, where the untainted past is restored, and Jam can feel Reeve's arms around her once again.

Nearly Gone by Elle Cosimano

In this suspenseful and thrilling murder mystery high school junior and math whiz Nearly Boswell is struggling to get by in a Washington, DC trailer park with her single mother, who works the night shift at a local strip club. She soon discovers she's the only student capable of unravelling complex clues left by a serial killer who's systematically getting rid of her classmates.

Zeroes (Zeroes series bk. 1) by Scott Westerfeld

Told from separate viewpoints, teens Scam, Crash, Flicker, Anonymous, Bellwether, and Kelsie, all born in the year 2000 and living in Cambria, California, have superhuman abilities that give them interesting but not heroic lives until they must work as a community to respond to a high stakes crisis.

What We Saw by Aaron Hartzler

Teens at an Iowa high school are left reeling after a photo surfaces online showing a classmate drunk at a party. Four student athletes are arrested for sexually assaulting her. Narrator Kate Weston questions the knee-jerk reactions of many of her peers, who slut-shame the girl and side with the accused. Facts that can't be ignored begin to surface, and every answer Kate finds leads back to the same questions: Who witnessed what happened to Stacey? And what responsibility do they have to speak up about what they saw? This book is based on a true story.

Holding Up the Universe by Jennifer Niven

Libby Strout lost her mother unexpectedly when she was 10 years old. She ate her grief away, becoming morbidly obese and a social media spectacle. Jack Masselin is a popular guy, with lots of cool friends, but he's working hard to hide a secret: he can't recognize any of them from day to day as the result of a neurological condition that causes facial blindness. Jack and Libby's worlds intersect after a bullying incident, and their resulting relationship ultimately enriches both their lives in surprising and wonderful ways.

Nimona by Noelle Stevenson (Graphic Novel)

Nimona is an impulsive young shapeshifter with a knack for villainy. Lord Ballister Blackheart is a villain with a vendetta. Their mission: prove to the kingdom that Sir Ambrosius Goldenloin and his buddies at the Institution of Law Enforcement and Heroics aren't the heroes everyone thinks they are. But as small acts of mischief escalate into a vicious battle, Lord Blackheart realizes that Nimona's powers are as murky and mysterious as her past. And her unpredictable wild side might be more dangerous than he is willing to admit.