

GHS Summer Reading List 2022

Rising 6th Graders (Current 5th Graders)

• Wonder by R.J. Palacio

Rising 7th Graders (Current 6th Graders)

• *The Skin I'm In* by Sharon Flake

Rising 8th (Current 7th)

• The War I Finally Won by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

Rising 9th and 10th Graders (Current 8th and 9th Graders)

• Concrete Rose by Angie Thomas

Rising 11th and 12th Graders (Current 10th and 11th)

• Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann

*Honors Students in Grades 11 and 12 (Current 10th and 11th)

• *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson

Assignment:

All students must keep a reading journal. Students must summarize each chapter in approximately 3-4 sentences -- either on post-it notes inside the books, in the margins of the books (if they have purchased them), in a paper notebook, or in a Google document. Proof of this reading journal must be supplied to the teacher on the first day of school. It is worth 25 points. (Note: Students reading *The War I Finally Won* need only write 1-2 sentences per chapter.)

For students in grades 6-12, the summer reading selection directly connects to the first novel or text of the year. We will discuss the summer reading text in class, covering the main concepts of the work. Then students will be given an essay in which they must compare the summer reading book with the first novel or play we read in class.

There is only one book, but there is an expectation that you will be able to discuss the book fluently at the beginning of the school year and write an essay (worth 50 points) in which you compare and contrast the summer reading book to a new text covered in class. In other words, if you don't complete the summer reading, you will struggle with writing the essay, so PLEASE READ THE SUMMER READING BOOK.

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