

June 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians of High School Students,

The Island Trees School District has a mandatory summer reading program for all students. The purpose of this program is to provide students with the opportunity to keep the mind, as well as the body, active and alert during the “lazy days of summer.”

Reading is the basis for all learning. It is vital that parents, teachers, and administrators work together to encourage our children to make reading a part of their everyday lives.

This summer, students will be required to read at least one book. Every student has received the assigned book(s). It is strongly suggested that students read additional books to coincide with their interests. Please refer to the list on the reverse side of this letter for the titles and authors of all selections. During the first week of school, all students will be tested on their reading assignments. In addition, their first writing assignment will be based on the book(s) they read. Some students have also received summer assignments that coincide with their books. New students may pick up copies of the required books in the high school guidance department and/or the high school library.

Thank you in advance for your support. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Lori Christensen 520-2135 or lchristensen@islandtrees.net.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Grande
Principal

Lori Christensen
English Chairperson

***Island Trees High School English Department
Summer Reading Lists
2017-2018 School Year***

English 9:

***The Body of Christopher Creed* by Carol Plum-Ucci**

English 10:

***The Chocolate War* by Robert Cormier**

English 10AP Seminar:

***Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley**

***Animal Farm* by George Orwell**

English 11:

***The House on Mango Street* by Sandra Cisneros**

11AP English Language and Composition:

***To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee**

AND *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini

English 12: A choice between:

***Never Let Me Go* by Kazuo Ishiguro**

***Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley**

***The Martian Chronicles* by Ray Bradbury**

College English:

***A Long Way Gone* by Ishmael Beah**

12AP English Literature and Composition:

***Heart of Darkness* by Joseph Conrad**

***Invisible Man* by Ralph Ellison**