





Munster High School

Summer Reading Policy 2017

Purpose: The summer reading program at Munster High School meets the Indiana State Academic Standards for critical reading. Through summer reading, students improve their ability to read and comprehend complex texts independently and proficiently.

General Requirements:

-  All English students enrolled for the 2017-2018 school year will read two (2) summer reading books.
 - All students enrolled in English 9i, English 9, English 10i, English 10, English 11B, English 11, English 12B, English Literature, or Composition will choose 2 books to read from lists assigned to each class. Students in non-honors/AP classes may choose texts from the honors/AP lists within the same grade level.
 - All students enrolled in Honors English 9, Honors English 10, AP English Literature & Composition, and AP English Language & Composition will read ONE required book. That title has been selected by the department and will not change.
 - Honors English 9, Honors English 10, AP English Literature & Composition and AP English Language & Composition students will read ONE book of choice in addition to the required book (for a total of 2 books).
-  Both summer reading test scores will be averaged together. The averaged score will count as ten percent (10%) of the first quarter's grade. Both tests weigh equally in the computation of the grade.
-  There will be no summer test dates. All tests MUST be taken on the assigned dates at the start of the school year.
 - All students enrolled in English 9i, English 9, English 10i, English 10, English 11B, English 11, English 12B, English Literature, or Composition will take one test on Monday, August 28, 2017, and the second test on Wednesday, August 30, 2017. There will be two different forms of tests: a "Monday" version and a "Wednesday" version.
 - For Honors English 9, Honors English 10, and AP English students, the required book test date is Monday, August 28, 2017.
 - For Honors English 9, Honors English 10, and AP English students, the second book test date will be Wednesday, August 30, 2017.
 - All summer reading tests will consist of objective selected response questions, and each student's English teacher will administer all tests.
 - If for any reason a student is absent during summer reading testing, he/she will take an alternate test. Students should contact their English teachers to make arrangements.
 - If a student does not make arrangements with his/her teacher, that student will receive a zero (0%) for any missing tests.
-  The completion of this testing is the responsibility of each student.
 - All non-AP English seniors will be scheduled in Composition first semester. Therefore, all seniors will take the summer reading tests on Monday, August 28th, and Wednesday, August 30th. The test scores will be included and count in the first quarter Composition grade. Students graduating early will take English Literature and Composition in the fall. The summer reading test scores will count ONLY in the Composition grade.
 - Summer reading tests may only be taken during the required testing period. Students may NOT take tests earlier than the prescribed dates.

Specific Rules:

1. Students who have attended Munster Schools for all or part of the previous school year are responsible for reading the requisite number of books.
2. If a student who has not attended Munster Schools the previous year enrolls in the district between July 15, 2017, and August 4, 2017, that student will receive a waiver for reading ONE choice book.
 - a. If a student enrolls on or after July 15 and is scheduled to take English 9i, English 9, English 10i, English 10, English 11B, English 11, English 12B or Composition, he or she must read ONE BOOK OF CHOICE (for a total of 1 book).
 - b. If a student enrolls between July 15-August 4, 2017, and is scheduled to take Honors English 9, Honors English 10, or AP English, he or she must read the REQUIRED BOOK ONLY (for a total of 1 book).
3. If a student who has not attended Munster Schools enrolls in the district on or after August 4, 2017, that student will receive a waiver from reading TWO books, except in AP English:
 - a. If a student enrolls on or after August 4, 2017, and is scheduled to take English 9i, English 9, Honors English 9, English 10i, English 10, Honors English 10, English 11B, English 11, English 12B, or Composition, he or she will not have to take any summer reading tests. The summer reading test score will be exempted from the student's grade.
 - b. If a student enrolls on or after August 4, 2017, and is scheduled to take AP English Literature & Composition or AP English Language & Composition, he or she will still be required to take the summer reading test for the required book on August 28th.
4. Expulsion does not exempt students from the reading tests. The tests must be taken within the first week of the student's return to school. Students returning from an expulsion/suspension will take an alternate test form for any missing summer reading tests.
5. Students who add, drop or switch courses PRIOR to the first day of the school year must read and test from the summer reading list for the class in which they will begin the school year. Students adding AP English must follow the reading list and policy outlined above.
6. Students who add, drop, or switch courses WITHIN THE DROP-ADD PERIOD at the beginning of the first semester may test from the summer reading list for the class in which they began the school year, **EXCEPT** AP English. All AP English students must read from the AP reading list.
7. Students retaking English 9, 10, or 11 only need to read the books required for their primary English class (in other words, they do not have to double the number of books to read). However, seniors retaking Composition in the spring will receive their original summer reading test scores from the fall. Failure of Composition in the fall semester does NOT exempt students from the summer reading test scores' counting toward their grade in the spring semester.
8. Students from surrounding schools (including private) who have received the summer reading policy will follow rules for School Town of Munster students.
9. Students may be required to show a school or equivalent picture ID before taking the tests.

Summer Reading Lists 2017-2018

If You Are Taking...	You Must Read This AND...	Choice Books
English 9i English 9	N/A	<p>CHOOSE TWO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Ender's Game</i> (Orson Scott Card) <i>Heroes, Gods, and Monsters of the Greek Myths</i> (Bernard Evslin) <i>Tuesdays with Morrie</i> (Mitch Albom) <i>I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings</i> (Maya Angelou) <i>Speak</i> (Laurie Halse Anderson)
Honors English 9	<i>Fahrenheit 451</i> (Ray Bradbury)	<p>CHOOSE ONE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Ender's Game</i> (Orson Scott Card) <i>Heroes, Gods, and Monsters of the Greek Myths</i> (Bernard Evslin) <i>Tuesdays with Morrie</i> (Mitch Albom) <i>I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings</i> (Maya Angelou) <i>Speak</i> (Laurie Halse Anderson)
English 10i English 10	N/A	<p>CHOOSE TWO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The Count of Monte Cristo</i> [abridged] (Alexandre Dumas)** <i>All But My Life</i> (Gerda Weissmann Klein) <i>The Secret Life of Bees</i> (Sue Monk Kidd) <i>A Tree Grows in Brooklyn</i> (Betty Smith) <i>Black like Me</i> (John Howard Griffin)
Honors English 10	<i>Cry, the Beloved Country</i> (Alan Paton)	<p>CHOOSE ONE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The Count of Monte Cristo</i> [abridged] (Alexandre Dumas)** <i>All But My Life</i> (Gerda Weissmann Klein) <i>The Secret Life of Bees</i> (Sue Monk Kidd) <i>A Tree Grows in Brooklyn</i> (Betty Smith) <i>Black like Me</i> (John Howard Griffin)
English 11, English 11B	N/A	<p>CHOOSE TWO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn</i> (Mark Twain)** <i>Into the Wild</i> (Jon Krakauer) <i>Rocket Boys</i> (Homer Hickam) <i>Their Eyes Were Watching God</i> (Zora Neale Hurston) <i>The Lost Boy</i> (Dave Pelzer)
12 th Composition 12 th Composition B	N/A	<p>CHOOSE TWO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The Importance of Being Earnest</i> (Oscar Wilde)** <i>Things Fall Apart</i> (Chinua Achebe) <i>Three Cups of Tea</i> (Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin) <i>Black Boy</i> (Richard Wright) <i>Brave New World</i> (Aldous Huxley)
AP English Literature & Composition (11 th grade)	<i>How to Read Literature like a Professor</i> (Thomas Foster)	<p>CHOOSE ONE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The Turn of the Screw</i> (Henry James)** <i>The Heart of Darkness</i> (Joseph Conrad)** <i>Their Eyes Were Watching God</i> (Zora Neale Hurston) <i>The Dante Club</i> (Matthew Pearl) <i>The Poisonwood Bible</i> (Barbara Kingsolver)
AP English Language & Composition (12 th grade)	<i>In Cold Blood</i> (Truman Capote)	<p>CHOOSE ONE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The Color of Water</i> (James McBride) <i>Silent Spring</i> (Rachel Carson) <i>Fast Food Nation: The Dark Side of the All-American Meal</i> (Eric Schlosser) <i>Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother</i> (Amy Chua) <i>The Autobiography of Malcolm X</i> (Malcolm X and Alex Haley)

N/A=Non Applicable

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