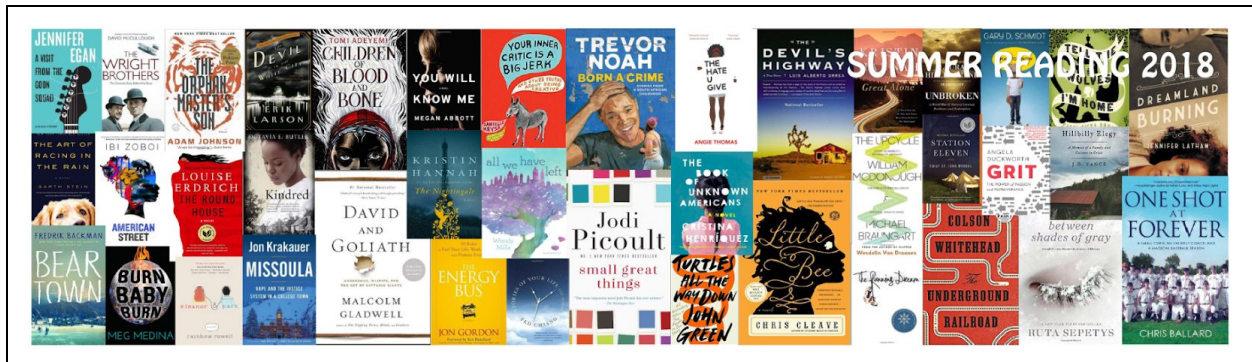




Hinsdale Central High School

Summer Reading Program 2018



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On behalf of the Hinsdale Central English Department, I would like to introduce you to the 2018 Summer Reading Program. I am excited to announce a couple updates to our Summer Reading Program. First, we've updated our lists of ten choices for each grade level, adding some brand new titles like the new best seller by Hinsdale Central alumni Tomi Adeyemi, *The Children of Blood and Bone*. Second, we've asked several new teachers and staff members at Hinsdale Central to recommend books, based on common themes for each level. Students have a wide choice. Educator and author Carol Jago (@CarolJago) recently tweeted this about the important role of teachers in helping make students lifelong readers: "If we're not helping students become confident, habitual readers, I don't know what business we're in." This is the main goal of the new Hinsdale Central Summer Reading Program: to help students become confident, habitual readers.

Incoming freshmen through seniors should find their book choices through the links at the top of this page. More detailed information about each book, including recommendations from Hinsdale Central teachers and book trailers, can be found [here](#). Books may be obtained at area libraries, bookstores, or online. You can also check in with the Hinsdale Central Library: a limited number of copies of the summer reading titles are available digitally on OverDrive, Hinsdale Central's online-lending platform. Books from OverDrive can be read or listened to on a smartphone, Chromebook, tablet, or e-reader. Use your Hinsdale Central 6-digit ID as the username and the password "86" to check out a book. OverDrive can be found [here](#). If you

have any questions about Overdrive, please direct them to Kerrin Riley, Library Media Department Chair, at kriley@hinsdale86.org.

Students should read their book choices at their leisure over the course of the summer. The expectation is that students will read one book of their choice (and, if inspired, to read others). In August, students should expect to take a survey in class about the books they've read and, depending on the course, be engaged in discussions or other activities.

If you have any questions, please direct them to David Lange, English Department Chair, at dlange@hinsdale86.org. If you're interested in learning about the benefits of reading for pleasure, check out this great research summary [here](#). Thank you and happy reading!

9th Grade Titles

The Running Dream	Wendelin Van Draanen
Dreamland Burning	Jennifer Latham
Between Shades of Gray	Ruta Sepetys
Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption	Laura Hillenbrand
Eleanor and Park	Rainbow Rowell
Tell the Wolves I'm Home	Carol Rifka Brunt
Okay for Now	Gary D. Schmidt
Burn Baby Burn	Meg Medina
The Great Alone	Kristin Hannah
One Shot at Forever: A Small Town, an Unlikely Coach, and a Magical Baseball Season	Chris Ballard

10th Grade Titles

The Hate You Give	Angie Thomas
The Children of Blood and Bone	Tomi Adeyemi
The Nightingale	Kristin Hannah
You Will Know Me	Megan Abbott
Your Inner Critic is a Big Jerk: And Other Truths About Being Creative	Danielle Krysa
All We Have Left	Wendy Mills
Hillbilly Elegy	JD Vance
Beartown	Fredrik Backman
Station Eleven	Emily St. John Mandel
Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood	Trevor Noah

11th Grade Titles

Kindred	Octavia E. Butler
Small Great Things	Jodi Picoult
Devil in the White City	Erik Larson
The Wright Brothers	David McCullough
The Book of Unknown Americans	Cristina Henríquez
The Underground Railroad	Colson Whitehead
American Street	Ibi Zoboi
The Devil's Highway	Luis Alberto Urrea
A Visit from the Goon Squad	Jennifer Egan
Turtles All the Way Down	John Green

12th Grade Titles

David and Goliath	Malcolm Gladwell
The Energy Bus	Jon Gordon
The Art of Racing in the Rain	Garth Stein
The Round House	Louise Erdrich
Grit	Angela Duckworth
The Upcycle: Beyond Sustainability - Designing for Abundance	William McDonough
Little Bee	Chris Cleave
The Orphan Master's Son	Adam Johnson
Stories of Your Life and Others	Ted Chiang
Missoula: Rape and the Justice System in a College Town	Jon Krakauer