

Rome High School Summer Reading Program

2023-24

Rome High School's Summer Reading Program aims to enrich students' study and understanding of literature and to create a lifelong habit of reading and to allow students an opportunity to continue building literacy skills through the summer months.

ALL STUDENTS: Record the books you've read through the summer at <https://forms.gle/jRwDNTBBQKDzDzHu9> to earn HERO points for the school year!

Book selections for Honors and AP are based on literary merit, state/national standards, and teacher recommendations. Students must use the books listed below based on the classes for which they have registered for the upcoming school year. *Students who complete summer reading should read well enough to discuss the text with your teacher when school resumes. There will be a required handout on google classroom in addition to an assignment when classes resume. The handout is also available in the front office of RHS.*

9TH Grade Honors Options: (choose one)

- *The Color of Water* by James McBride
- *Enchanted Air* by Margarita Engle & Edel Rodriguez
- *They Called Us Enemy* by George Takei

10TH Grade World Literature Honors Options: (choose one)

- *I am Malala* by Malala Yousafzai
- *Nothing to Envy* by Barbara Demick
- *Born a Crime* by Trevor Noah
- *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding

11TH Grade American Literature Honors Options: (choose one)

- *Into the Wild* by John Krakauer
- *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald

11TH Grade AP Language Options: (choose one)

- *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot
- *The Dorito Effect* by Mark Schatzker

12TH Grade British Literature Honors Options: (choose one)

- *Grendel* by John Gardner
- *The Hobbit* by J.R.R. Tolkien

12th Grade AP Literature Options: (choose one)

- *Beloved* by Toni Morrison
- *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston
- *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini
- *The Crucible* by Arthur Miller
- *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne
- *Mansfield Park* by Jane Austen

***Parents, these books may contain mature content. Parents are highly encouraged to research the best option for your student. Please contact Ms. Howell if you have any questions. All of the books on the list are included because of their literary merit/recommendation by College Board (for AP courses).**

***In addition to the above titles, Honors and AP students may participate in the incentive-based summer reading program by logging their reading into the google form that will be posted by ELA teachers each semester.

If you have any questions, please contact our ELA department chair, Ms. Amanda Howell, at ahowell@rcs.rome.ga.us.