

9TH GRADE HONORS – Hanford High School 2017-2018

Although there is no summer assignment for 9th grade honor students, it is assumed that students will be reading at least 1 novel over the summer. Students should select an age appropriate (high school level) novel of their choice. Students will be assigned a novel project during the first week of school, based on the novel that students read over the summer. Below is a recommended list of popular novel titles and authors that include a variety of topics & genres.

Choosing a book

Reading is a joy, a privilege and the right of every student. Please research several choices before making your final decision. As you select books, please understand that every book is not the best choice for every student. If a book is unappealing or offensive to you in any way, please return it and select another book. You, the student, know which reading materials best serve you and your standards, reading level, and beliefs. Book reviews and reading level information can be found on the internet (Goodreads, Amazon, Rotten Tomatoes, etc.).

HHS LA 9 - Recommended Reading List

The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy— Adams, Douglas

A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier – Beah, Ismael

The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold and the 1936 Berlin Olympics-
Brown, Daniel James

The Good Earth — Buck, Pearl S.

The Alchemist – Coelho, Paulo

America's Women: 400 years of Dolls, Drudges, Helpmates and Heroins – Collins, Gail

All the Light We Cannot See – Doerr, Anthony

Great Expectations – Dickens, Charles

Tale of Two Cities – Dickens, Charles

Don't Look Behind You — Duncan, Lois

Looking For Alaska – Green, John

All Creatures Great and Small — Herriot, James

Farewell to Manzanar – Houston, Jeanne and Houston, James D.

The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Creating Currents of Electricity and Hope - Kamkwamba, William
and Mealer, Bryan

Second Impact – Klass, David and Klass, Perri

A Separate Peace — Knowles, John

The Martian – Weir, Andy

Black Boy – Wright, Richard

I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up For Education and Was Shot by the Taliban – Yousafzai, Malala

Born on a Blue Day by Daniel Tammet

Forgive Me, Leonard Peacock by Matthew Quick

Under the Feet of Jesus by Helena Viramontes

Ana's Story by Jenna Bush

Chandra's Secret by Allan Stratton

When I was Puerto Rican by Esmeralda Santiago