Summer Reading 2016 9th Grade Advanced English

Required:

- 1. The Count of Monte Cristo by Alexander Dumas

 (You must read the Lowell Bair translation, which is abridged.)
- 2. Lord of the Flies by William Golding
- 3. An additional book of choice is required. It may be fiction or non-fiction. Just read and enjoy!

Assignments:

When you read *The Count of Monte Cristo* and *Lord of the Flies*, you must engage in an active reading strategy that reflects more than simply reading the story (marginal notes, annotations, questions at the end of chapters, etc.). **Do not use any extra-textual support** (*Spark Notes, Cliff's Notes*, etc.). These books are challenging, but they are also accessible for ninth graders.

Guidelines for choice books:

- Books that were required reading in previous English classes may not be read for your choice selection.
- You may choose any book for your choice selection, provided it is grade level appropriate. If you would like some book suggestions, you may refer to the lists below. However, it is not mandatory that you choose a book from these lists. If you have a question about the grade level acceptability of a book you have chosen, please contact Mr. McCain before July 4th.

9th Grade Suggested Fiction List

Suggested Fiction List	
Title	Author
And Then There Were None	Agatha Christie
Fahrenheit 451	Ray Bradbury
Gifted Hands	Ben Carson M.D. with Cecil Murphy
Great Expectations	Charles Dickens
In The Middle of the Night	Robert Cormier
Music of the Heart	Roberta Gaspari
O Pioneers!	Willa Cather
Shoeless Joe	W.P. Kinsella
The Beekeeper's Apprentice	Laurie R. King
The Call of the Wild	Jack London
The Chosen	Chaim Potok
The Firm	John Grisham
The Friends	Rosa Guy
The Kitchen God's Wife	Amy Tan
The Last Unicorn	Peter Beagle
The Moves Make Man	Bruce Brooks
The Natural	Bernard Malamud
The Once and Future King	T.H. White
The Pact: Three Young Men Make a Promise and Fulfill	
A Dream	Dr. Sampson Davis, et al
West Side Story	Leonard Bernstein, Irving Schulman, and Stephen Sondheim

(non-fiction suggestions on next page)

9th Grade Suggested Non-fiction List

Title Author

A World of Hurt: Between Innocence and Arrogance

in Vietnam

A Yellow Raft in Blue Water

About This Life

All Creatures Great and Small

Bad Boy: A Memoir

Barrio Boy

Coming of Age in Mississippi

Desert Solitaire

Eco-Heroes Twelve Tales of Environmental Victory

Finding Fish

How the Garcia Girls Lost their Accents

How the Other Half Lives
I'd Rather Teach Peace
I'm a Stranger Here Myself
In The Shadow of Man

Kaffir Boy

Lanterns a Memoir of Mentors Mountains Beyond Mountains

My Place

Of Beetles and Angels: A Boy's Remarkable Journey from

A Refugee Camp to Harvard

One Day in The Life of Ivan Denisovich

One Writer's Beginnings

Red Scarf Girl: A Memoir of the Cultural Revolution

Silent Spring Small Wonder Still Me

The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pitman

The Birthday Boys

The Other Side of the Mountain

The Right to Privacy

We Die Alone: A WWII Epic of Escape and Endurance

Mary Reynolds Powell

Michael Dorris
Barry Lopez
James Herriot
Walter Dean Myers
Ernesto Galarza
Anne Moody
Edward Abbey
Aubrey Wallace
Antwone Fisher

Julia Alvarez Jacob Riis

Colman McCarthy

Bill Bryson
Jane Goodall
Mark Mathabane

Marian Wright Edelman

Tracy Kidder Sally Morgan

Mawi Asgedom

Alexander Solzhenitsyn

Eudora Welty
Ji-li-Jiang
Rachel Carson
Barbara Kingsolver
Christopher Reeve
Ernest J. Gaines
Beryl Bainbridge
Evans G. Valens

Ellen Alderman and Caroline Kennedy

David Howarth