

CAPA SUMMER 2021 READING LIST

PARENT/GUARDIAN: Please review the Summer Reading List and please arrange for your child to **read one of the two** books required for the grade they will be entering in August 2021. ***Please note that the instructions are different for AP Courses***. They will be held responsible for demonstrating understanding of these readings with a short constructed response/paragraph in the first week of school, which will later be expanded upon in the form of a full essay. It is critical that they read and analyze their chosen text before returning to school.

Additionally, AP ELA courses have a paper due on the first day of school. These assignments should be obtained *before* the end of the 2021 school year; ask your English teachers.

9th Grade: *Felix Ever After* by Kacen Callender
OR
Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck

10th Grade *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston
OR
The Alchemist by Paulo Coelho

11th Grade: *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration of Colorblindness* by Michelle Alexander
OR
Outliers: The Story of Success by Malcolm Gladwell

11th Grade AP: *Thank You for Arguing: What Aristotle, Lincoln, and Homer Simpson Can Teach Us About The Art of Persuasion* by Jay Heinrichs
Your choice of text from a list of [Nonfiction titles](#)
*See full assignment [here](#)

12th Grade: *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini
OR
The Other Wes Moore by Wes Moore

12th Grade AP: *A Handmaid's Tale* by Margaret Atwood
A Thousand Splendid Suns by Khaled Hosseini
How to Read Literature Like a Professor by Thomas C. Foster
*See full assignment [here](#).

Assignment should be completed on Google Drive and shared with:
rharr@philasd.org *before the first day of school.*

- You may reference the MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers, 8th ed. [here](#).
- You may also access The Purdue University Online Writing Lab for general writing resources, MLA formatting and style guide at: <http://owl.english.purdue.edu/>

Students will be expected to follow these rules in their writing at CAPA and in college.

The summer reading list and AP summer assignments will also be available on the school's website.