Bluffton High School Extended Reading Information

Directions for College Prep English Students: We are supporting college prep students and their parents in making enjoyable choices for reading. Each nine weeks of the semester, the student will select a book of choice. The Young Adult Book Award List has been included to help guide students in this selection (see list below). Please note: Parents and guardians should assist their children in selecting books with appropriate content and language. We encourage students to read over the summer; however, they will not be assessed until the end of each nine weeks. Students will complete an assessment over the chosen book with their assigned English teacher near the end of each nine weeks of the semester. Note: The books on the first list below are not required extended reading, but are suggested for college bound students.

South Carolina Young Adult Book Award Nominees 2018-2019

Air by Ryan Gattis
All We Have Left by Wendy Mills
Blood, Bullets, and Bones by Bridget Heos
The Crown’s Game by Evelyn Skye
Girl in the Blue Coat by Monica Hesse
Holding Up the Universe by Jennifer Niven
If I was Your Girl by Meredith Russo
Learning to Swear in America by Katie Kennedy
The Radius of Us by Marie Marquardt
The Rains by Gregg Hurwitz

South Carolina Young Adult Book Award Nominees 2018-2019
Sachiko by Caren Stelson
The Safest Lies by Megan Miranda
Salt to the Sea by Ruta Sepetys
Scythe by Neal Shusterman
The Serpent King by Jeff Zentner
The Smell of Other People’s Houses by Bonnie Hitchcock
Starflight by Melissa Landers
The Sun is Also a Star by Nicola Yoon
Tell Me Three Things by Ryan Giraudin
Three Dark Crowns by Kendare Blake

Directions for Bluffton High School Honors/AP Students: The extended reading list for Bluffton High School HONORS/AP English courses is listed below. Students are required to read specific books. While it is not mandatory for students to purchase the required novels, it is extremely beneficial for annotation purposes. We encourage students to read over the summer, however, they will not be assessed until six weeks into the semester. Students will complete a variety of activities and assessments in connection with each assigned novel possibly including Socratic seminar, activities, additional readings, quizzes, and tests.

AP Literature and Composition
Summer/Quarter 1
Toni Morrison: Beloved or
Jostein Gaarder: Sophie’s World

Quarter 2
Ralph Ellison: Invisible Man

AP Language and Composition
Summer/Quarter 1
Thomas Foster: How to Read Literature like a Professor and
Mark Twain: The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

Quarter 2
Tim O’Brien: The Things They Carried and
Nathaniel Hawthorne: The Scarlet Letter

English IV Honors
Summer/Quarter 1
J.D. Salinger: Catcher in the Rye

Quarter 2
Khaled Hosseini: The Kite Runner

English III Honors
Summer/Quarter 1
Alice Walker: The Color Purple

Quarter 2
Ken Kesey: One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest

English II Honors
Summer/Quarter 1
Markus Zusak: The Book Thief

Quarter 2
Sue Monk Kidd: Secret Life of Bees

English I Honors
Summer/Quarter 1
Sandra Cisneros: House on Mango Street

Quarter 2
John Steinbeck: Of Mice and Men