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**2025/2026 Summer (\*) AND Full School Year  
REQUIRED READING for Grades 4-12**

**\* = Summer Required Reading**



- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade:**
1. Charlotte's Web \* (summer reading questions to do) E.B. White
  2. Call It Courage Armstrong Sperry
  3. Additional selections will be communicated by teacher when applicable

- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade:**
1. My Life as a Smashed Burrito with Extra Hot Sauce \* (write a 1 page summary) Bill Myers
  2. A Father's Promise Donna Lynn Hess
  3. The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe C.S. Lewis  
(please get the version with ISBN# 0064409422 so all students have same page #'s)

**7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grades: \$11.50 Required Subscription** to Scholastic Scope, ordered by teacher, check made payable to Calvary Academy. Successfully utilized tool at CA, stimulates reading and engages students in critical thinking, developing advanced literacy skills for essential academic success. Also exposes students to wide variety of genres. Includes 8 issues + access to Scope online, providing many resources.

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade:**
1. Wonder \* R. J. Palacio  
(Summer project requirements for the above choices can be found on our website under Current Families>Documents & Forms>Required Reading)
  2. Tuck Everlasting Natalie Babbitt
  3. Amos Fortune, Free Man Elizabeth Yates
  4. Number The Stars Lois Lowry

- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade:**
1. Among the Hidden \* (critical book review beg.of year) Margaret Peterson Haddix  
(Summer project requirements for the above book can be found on our website under Current Families>Documents & Forms>Required Reading)
  2. Among the Imposters Margaret Peterson Haddix
  3. Fever 1793 Laurie Halse Anderson
  4. Children of the Storm Autobiography of Natasha Vins
  5. A Long Walk to Water Linda Sue Park

- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade:**
1. Girls Choices (select ONE from this genre of Historical Fiction/Nonfiction): \*  
(Summer project requirements for these books can be found on our website under Current Families>Documents & Forms>Required Reading)
    - a. Before We Were Free \* Julia Alvarez
    - b. Between Shades of Gray \* Rupa Sepetey
    - c. Hang a Thousand Trees with Ribbons – The Story of Phyllis Wheatley \* Anne Rinaldi

1. Boys Choices (select ONE from this genre of Historical Fiction/Nonfiction): \*  
(Summer project requirements for these books can be found on our website under Current Families>Documents & Forms>Required Reading)
  - a. Gifted Hands – The Ben Carson Story \* Greg and Debra Shaw Lewis
  - b. Prisoner B-3087 \* Alan Gratz
  - c. The Boy Who Dared \* Susan Campbell Bartoletti
2. The Giver Lois Lowry
3. Tangerine Edward Bloor
4. Stargirl Jerry Spinelli

**High School: \$10.99 Required Subscription** to Scholastic's *The New York Times Upfront* magazine, ordered by teacher. \$10.99 check made payable to Calvary Academy. Successfully utilized tool at CA, stimulates reading and exposes students to more national and international news stories. This is a resource to help develop advanced literacy skills, an essential component of academic success, which will effectively prepare our students for higher education. We want to continue to actively engage students in analyzing different types of media, develop reading skills for more complex texts, and challenge them with argumentative writing. Includes 8 issues + access to *Upfront* website with fun videos & games.

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| <b>9<sup>th</sup> Grade:</b>  | 1. <u>Eyes of the Tailless Animals</u> *<br>(complete required summer writing reflection questions according to directions; test will be first full week of school)<br>2. Romeo and Juliet (copy provided by school)<br>3. The Odyssey (in textbook)                                                       | Soon Ok Lee<br>William Shakespeare<br>Homer                                        |
| <b>10<sup>th</sup> Grade:</b> | 1. <u>Hunger Games: Book 1 (or any book in the series)</u> *<br>2. <u>Animal Farm</u> (complete summer writing requirement Vocabulary & Political Allegory Guide) *<br>(Biblical integration writing project will be assigned for both summer books in Sept.)<br>3. Night<br>4. Antigone (in textbook)     | Suzanne Collins<br>George Orwell<br>Elie Wiesel<br>Sophocles                       |
| <b>11<sup>th</sup> Grade:</b> | 1. <u>No Fear-The Scarlet Letter</u> (summer writing requirement Chapters 1-6 Study Guide)*<br>(complete summer writing requirement Chapters 1-6 Study Guide; test on these chapters first full week of school)<br>2. The Great Gatsby<br>3. The Crucible (in textbook)<br>4. No Fear Shakespeare - Hamlet | Nathaniel Hawthorne<br>F. Scott Fitzgerald<br>Arthur Miller<br>William Shakespeare |
| <b>12<sup>th</sup> Grade:</b> | 1. <u>Screwtape Letters</u> (complete summer writing requirement Quote Chart) *<br>(Biblical integration writing project will be assigned for summer book in Sept.)<br>2. Frankenstein<br>3. Lord of the Flies<br>4. No Fear Shakespeare - Macbeth                                                         | C.S. Lewis<br>Mary Shelley<br>William Golding<br>William Shakespeare               |

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