West Boca Raton High School  
2015-2016 Summer Reading Requirements  
Language Arts, Social Studies/History, Science, and Medical Academy

Please refer to the list below for your required and optional reading assignments for the upcoming summer and 2015-2016 school year. Required books will be tested/assessed as part of your first quarter grade. All optional books are available for extra credit grades. Happy reading!

**Language Arts**

**9 Regular:**
- Optional: *Buried Onions* (Soto)
- Optional: *Ender’s Game* (Card)

**9 Honors:**
- Required: *Heroes, Gods & Monsters of Greek Myths* (Evslin)
- Optional: *The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks* (Lockhart)
- Optional: *Sarah’s Key* (de Rosnay)

**10 Regular:**
- Optional: *Night* (Wiesel)
- Optional: *My Sister’s Keeper* (Picoult)

**10 Honors:**
- Required: *Ellen Foster* (Gibbons)
- Required: *The Ballad of the Sad Café* (McCullers)
- Optional: *My Name Is Asher Lev* (Potok)
- Optional: *Breakfast at Tiffany’s* (Capote)

**10 AICE General Paper:**
- Required: *The Alchemist* (Coelho)
- Required: Any autobiography of your choice
- Required: Keep up with current events by reading the newspaper of your choice at least once a week

**11 Regular:**
- Optional: *The Street Lawyer* (Grisham)

**11 Honors:**
- Required: *The Old Man and The Sea* (Hemingway)
- Required: *Tuesdays with Morrie* (Albom)

**11 AICE Language**
- Required: *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* (Ford)
- Required: *Code Name Verity* (Wien)
- Required: See Ms. Rubin in rm. 5209 for accompanying handouts

**11 AP English Lang & Comp:**
- Required: *For Whom the Bell Tolls* (Hemingway)
- Required: *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* (Ford)
- Required: See Ms. Baldev in rm. 4212 for accompanying handouts

**12 College Prep English**
- Optional: *Bossy Pants* (Fey)

**12 Honors:**
- Required: *The Year of Wonders* (Brooks)
- Optional: *Nickel and Dimed* (Ehrenreich)

**AP Capstone Seminar:**
- Required: See Ms. Rubin in rm. 5209 for your assignment

**AICE Global Perspectives**
- Required: See Ms. Baldev in rm. 4212 for assignment

**Social Studies/History**

**AP Macro Economics:** Optional: *On the Brink* (Paulson)

**AP World History:** Required: *The Art of War* (Tzu) read by September 8, 2015
- Required: *Heart of Darkness* (Conrad) read by February 11, 2016
- OR *I am Malala* (Yousafza) read by February 11, 2016

- Optional: *Guns, Germs, and Steel: The Fates of Human Societies* (Diamond)
- In *Wake of the Plague* (Cantor); *Snowflower and the Secret Fan* (See); *The Good Earth* (Buck)
SCIENCE

AP Environmental Science: REQUIRED: Omnivore’s Dilemma (Pollan)

AP Biology: REQUIRED: The Selfish Gene (Dawkins) OR The Botany of Desire (Pollan)

AICE Marine Science: REQUIRED: Sex, Drugs, and Sea Slime (Prager)

The following are optional for the classes listed:

Earth Space Science Regular: Optional: Cretaceous Dawn (Graziano)

Earth Space Science Honors: Optional: Journey to the Center of the Earth (Verne)

Biology: Optional: Jurassic Park (Crichton)

Biology Honors: Optional: Survival of the Sickest (Moalem) OR Stiff: The Curious Life of Human Cadavers (Roach)

Chemistry: Optional: Alchemy of Air by Hager OR Napoleon’s Buttons (Le Couteur and Burreson)

AP Chemistry: Optional: The Periodic Table: Elements with Style! by Basher and Dingle AND/OR The Disappearing Spoon [and other true tales of madness, love, and the history of the world from the periodic table of the elements] (Kean)

Genetics Honors: Optional: Genome: The Autobiography of a Species in 23 Chapters (Ridley)

Marine Science: Optional: Flotsametrics and the Floating World: How One Man's Obsession with Runaway Sneakers and Rubber Ducks Revolutionized Ocean Science (Ebbesmeyer and Scigliano) OR Shadow Divers (Kurson)

Marine Science Honors: Optional: Shadow Divers (Kurson) OR Last Dive: A Father and Son's Fatal Descent Into the Ocean's Depths (Chowdhury)

Environmental Science: Optional: The Blue Death: Disease, Disaster, and the Water We Drink (Morris)

Physical Science: Optional: What's Science Ever Done For Us: What the Simpsons Can Teach Us about Physics, Robots, Life and the Universe (Halpern)

Physics: Optional: Classic Feynman: All the Adventures of a Curious Character (Feynman) OR Black Holes: A Traveler's Guide (Pickover)

Medical Academy

One required for each course. Choose from books listed.

Anatomy Hon/Reg: Stiff (Roach); Another Day in the Frontal Lobe (Firlik); On Call (Transue)

Biology Reg: Hot Zone (Preston); The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks (Skloot)

Pre-AICE Biology: The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks (Skloot)

AICE Biology: Fever 1793 (Anderson); Biology Made Simple (King)

Chemistry Pre-AICE/Reg: Required: Bomb: The Race to Build and Steal the World’s Most Dangerous Weapon (Sheinkin);
Optional: The Periodic Table Elements with Style! (Basher and Dingle)

Forensics: Spider Bones (Reichs); 206 Bones (Reichs)

Emergency Medical Responder: Trauma Junkie (Hudson)

Medical Lab Asst: Informed Consent (Glahn) or any of the Forensics books

Health and Wellness: You’re OK, It’s Just a Bruise: A Doctor’s Sideline Secrets About Pro Football’s Most Outrageous Team (Huizenga)