

**COLUMBIA ACADEMY**  
**SUMMER READING LIST - SUMMER 2024**

Summer Brain Drain is a real thing. The old adage holds true - "what you don't use, you lose!" BUT - the simple act of reading can prevent students from losing the valuable skills that they learned in classes like English and History and can even help them be successful in other classes too in the year ahead.

"Reading skills translate to other subject areas also because "all other subjects hinge on the ability to take in information through reading." Research shows that "students who read 20 minutes per day score in the 90th percentile on standard type skills and learning tests, with those who only read for 5 minutes per day scoring in the 50th percentile." (Source: Dominican University IMLS-funded research: Public Library Summer Reading Programs Close the Reading Gap).

Columbia Academy requires and actively encourages students to read during the summer. This will help them to prepare for the upcoming year and also to prevent losing the learned skills that are typically lost during the summer months when school is not in session.

The list below are the selections required for the Summer 2024. The correct book selection can be found by searching the ISBN (International Standard Book Number) on Amazon. Unless otherwise noted, all books on the list below should be purchased and shipped to your home directly. Students should have read the book selections below completely by the time that school begins for Fall 2024 (Approximately August 9, 2024).

CLASS	GRADE	TEACHER	BOOK TITLE	Author	ISBN	NOTES
English	5	Nagy	Hatchet	Gary Paulsen	ISBN-13: 978-0-5472-3765-7	These are available for loan from the CA Library, please contact Ms. Amber Mattox to check out
English	6	Speir	The Call of the Wild (Junior Classics Series)	Jack London	ISBN:1453065962	These are available for loan from the CA Library, please contact Ms. Amber Mattox to check out
English - Grade Level	7	Jones	Half Moon Summer	Elaine Vickers	ISBN: 978-1682637173	
English - Grade Level	8	Jones	Slider	Pete Hautman	ISBN: 978-1536204322	
English - Grade Level	9	Berry	Animal Farm	George Orwell	ISBN 978-0-451-52634-2	
English - Honors I	9	Williamson	Animal Farm	George Orwell	ISBN 978-0-451-52634-2	
English - Grade Level	10	Berry	Night	Elie Wiesel	ISBN 978-0374500016	
English - Honors II	10	Williamson	A Tale of Two Cities	Charles Dickens	ISBN: 979-8399824253	
English - Grade Level	11	Berry	The Old Man and the Sea	Ernest Hemingway	ISBN: 978-0684801223	
English - Honors III	11	Williamson	The Old Man and the Sea & Night	Hemingway & Weisel	ISBN: 978-0684801223 ISBN: 978-0374500016	
American History	11	Oliver	The United States Constitution for Everyone	Agel, Jerome B. & Gerberg, M	ISBN: 978-0399513053	Summer Reading Log assignment for this text is available on Google Classroom
American History	11	Oliver	Noah Webster's Advice to the Young and Moral Catechism	Noah Webster	ISBN-10: 092527934X	Summer Reading Log assignment for this text is available on Google Classroom
English	12	Berry	Desmond Doss: Conscientious Objector	Frances Doss	ISBN: 978-0816321247	
English - Honors IV	12	Williamson	1984	George Orwell	ISBN:978-0451524935	
American Government and Honors American Government	12	Mills	Founders Speech to a Nation in Crisis	Steven Rabb	ISBN: 978-1735816401	Can be ordered from Amazon