

Leon High School Summer Reading 2013

Many of this year's reading selections were taken from the **Florida Association for Media in Education Florida Teens Read** book list for 2013-14. Additional titles are provided by your English teachers as books that are must-reads. The mission of our summer reading is to encourage students to read enjoyable, quality literature that will stimulate imagination, awaken curiosity, expand horizons, enhance verbal fluency, and foster critical thinking and a lifelong love for reading and learning.



Florida Teens Read nominates ten to fifteen books per year. The books nominated were chosen to:

- * Engage high school students
- * Reflect interests of high school students
- * Represent a variety of genres, formats, reading levels, viewpoints, and ethnic and cultural perspectives

DISCLAIMER: The books listed below are chosen for high school students grades nine through twelve. In order to engage their interest and to provide a spur to critical thinking, the book selections include those that involve sensitive issues. The content of some of the titles may be more mature than younger students may have previously encountered. **Please recognize that this is a voluntary reading program.** Not every book selected will suit every student.

Parents: Please use your judgment in helping your child choose a book that you find suitable.

2013-2014 Finalists for the Florida Teens Read Award

Ashes by Ilsa Bick (fiction)

Ten Miles Past Normal by Frances O'Roark Dowell (fiction)

Don't Turn Around by Michelle Gagnon (fiction)

The Fault in Our Stars by John Green (fiction)

Seraphina by Rachel Hartman (fantasy)

Everybody sees the Ants by Amy Sair (A.S) King (fiction)

Every Day by David Levithan (fiction)

Virtuosity by Jessica Martinez (fiction)

The Healing by Jonathan Odell (Southern fiction)

Starters by Lissa Price (science fiction)

The Pregnancy Project: A Memoir by Gaby Rodriguez (non-fiction)

Outcasts United: The Story of a Refugee Soccer Team That Changed a Town by Warren St. John (non-fiction)

The Latte Rebellion by Sarah Jamilla Stevenson (fiction)

The Raven Boys by Maggie Stiefvater (paranormal fiction)

Steel by Carrie Vaughn (historical fantasy)

Additional titles:

The Time Machine by H.G. Wells

Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens

Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe

A Tree Grows in Brooklyn by Betty Smith

I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings by Maya Angelou

Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte

Dracula by Bram Stoker

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain

On the Road by Jack Kerouac

My Name is Asher Lev by Chaim Potok

Participation in summer reading is voluntary for all grades with the exception of those students enrolled in AP Language, AP Literature, and TCC English for the 2013-14 school year. Students in these classes will be receiving additional information regarding their assignments.

We would like you to read books you find of interest and share them with your family. That's it---read and enjoy!