

# Sachem Summer Reading Overview



## Goals:

- Prepare students to become lifelong readers and appreciate literature outside the classroom.
- Explore personal preferences in literature/genre by identifying, selecting, and evaluating books on an age appropriate level.
- React to reading through activities designed by teachers through the summer and upon return to school.
- Engage students to become active and positive participants of their own education.

## Summer Reading Requirements 9 – 12

1. You are required to read one book and return to school with a summer reading document/parent—guardian verification form. Current English classroom teachers will give out the documents in June. These documents will be collected and graded by all future teachers in September. In the event that you misplace a packet, the forms may be downloaded from the Sachem High School websites.
2. Books can be from any genre, but suggestion lists will be provided below and are posted on our district website.
3. The Sachem Public library has been notified of this district initiative and is prepared to help in any way possible. Please see Mrs. Sue Tychnowitz in the Young Adult literature section for further assistance.
4. We encourage you to choose your own title to read. Read what interests you! However, if no book is found independently, books will be made available by grade level by the district to sign out:
  - For students going into 9<sup>th</sup> Grade – Text – *The Pigman*
  - For students going into 10<sup>th</sup> Grade – Text – *Tuesdays with Morrie*
  - For students going into 11<sup>th</sup> Grade – Text – *The Five People You Meet in Heaven*
  - For students going into 12<sup>th</sup> Grade – Text—student choiceThese books are available through current classroom teachers or through the Sachem North Main Office
5. Aside from the completed packet, students are expected to contribute to various teacher requirements upon their return to school in September.

## How to find a Summer Reading

### Ask...

- ...Parents what books they've enjoyed
- ...Older Siblings
- ...Current English Teacher
- ...School Librarian
- ...Sachem Public Librarian
- ...Former English Teachers
- ...Friends what books they've enjoyed recently

### Visit...

- ...Sachem North Library
- ...Sachem Public Library
- ...Appropriate Websites
- ...bookstores

## **\*ATTENTION\*** **AP STUDENTS!**

Summer assignments for students involved in our AP program will be notified by the classroom teachers of their requirements before the end of the current school year and assignments will be posted on the Sachem website as well.

## Sachem North

<http://www.sachem.edu/schools/north/library/mustreads.php>

## Sachem Public Library

<http://www.sachemlibrary.org>

## The College Board's "101 Great Books Recommended for College-Bound Readers"

<http://www.listsofbests.com/list/16484-101-great-books-recommended-for-college-bound-readers>

## Parent/Guardian Involvement

- ❖ Screen text that child has chosen
- ❖ Monitor child progress in completion of reading
- ❖ Read the book and discuss it with your child
- ❖ Sign reading verification form