

# AUSTIN WALDORF HIGH SCHOOL

## 12<sup>th</sup> SUMMER READING 2018

Dear students,

Listed below are the summer reading requirements. Please have these read before school starts:

### **REQUIRED READINGS:**

1. ***Brown Girl Dreaming*** by Jacqueline Woodson (all school summer reading for first day of school. Please see questions for discussion. Seniors will be expected to facilitate breakout groups. Be ready!)
2. ***Song of Myself*** by Walt Whitman
3. ***Brunelleschi's Dome: How a Renaissance Genius Reinvented Architecture*** by Ross King
4. ***Raisin in the Sun*** a play by Lorraine Hansberry

**OPTIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL READING and Activities:** (All are optional and not required. Book titles are in relevant to 12<sup>th</sup> grade Humanities blocks).

1. ***Between the World and Me*** by Ta-Nehisi Coates
2. ***On Tyranny*** by Timothy Snyder
3. Watch a Ted Talk and write or record a commentary
4. Read or listen to the daily news from various legitimate sources; domestic and international
5. Go for a nature walk or to a museum and sketch a scene
6. Go visit an architectural site and write a descriptive essay of your experience
7. Go to the symphony, opera or theatre and write or record a commentary
8. Begin to read/research for your senior projects! Keep notes. You will be glad later.

**For your own enjoyment-student choice** from list below:

### **TWELFTH GRADE RECOMMENDED READING LIST**

#### **Fiction:**

*House of the Spirits, Eva Luna, Daughter of Fortune* or any others  
*In the Time of the Butterflies*  
*Collected Fictions*  
*Wuthering Heights*  
*Jane Eyre*  
*Year of Wonders: A Novel of the Plague*  
*In Patagonia*  
*The Lady with the Little Dog and Other Stories*  
*The Awakening*  
*Woman Hollering Creek (Stories)*  
*Crime and Punishment, or The Brothers Karamazov*  
*A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius*  
*Invisible Man*  
*The Death of Artemio Cruz*  
*The Sun Also Rises, For Whom the Bell Tolls* and others  
*Glass Bead Game*

Isabel Allende  
Julia Alvarez  
Jorge Luis Borges  
Emily Bronte  
Charlotte Bronte  
Geraldine Brooks  
Bruce Chatwin  
Anton Chekhov  
Kate Chopin  
Sandra Cisneros  
Fyodor Dostoyevsky  
Dave Eggers  
Ralph Ellison  
Carlos Fuentes  
Ernest Hemingway  
Herman Hesse

Brave New World  
A Prayer for Owen Meany  
The Remains of the Day or Never Let Me Go  
Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man or Dubliners  
The Poisonwood Bible  
On the Road  
Native Speaker  
Palace Walk or any in Cairo trilogy  
The Assistant  
My Traitor's Heart  
Ceremony  
One Hundred Years of Solitude  
Atonement  
Beloved, The Bluest Eye, Song of Solomon, Jazz  
The English Patient  
Bel Canto  
The Fountainhead, Atlas Shrugged  
Gilead  
The Tale of Genji  
I Capture the Castle  
White Teeth  
Bonesetter's Daughter  
Anna Karenina  
Player Piano, Cat's Cradle, Slaughterhouse-Five  
The Color Purple  
The Time Machine  
The Waves, To the Lighthouse and others  
Native Son  
The Journey to the West (aka Monkey or The Monkey King)  
Shadow of the Wind  
The Book Thief

### **Drama, Poetry, and Sacred Writing:**

Lorca & Jimenez: Selected Poems  
Mother Courage and Her Children, Threepenny Opera (drama)  
The Cherry Orchard, The Three Sisters, The Seagull (drama)  
Death of a Naturalist (poems)  
Death of a Salesman (drama)  
Duino Elegies, Sonnets to Orpheus (poems)  
Othello, King Lear, The Tempest  
The Glass Menagerie (drama)  
Miracle Fair (poems)

### **Non-Fiction:**

It's Not About the Bike  
Narrow Road to the Interior  
Silent Spring  
The Souls of Black Folk  
My Land, My People: The Original Autobiography of His Holiness the Dalai Lama of Tibet  
An American Childhood or Pilgrim at Tinker Creek  
Guns, Germs and Steel  
Waiting for Snow in Havana  
Wild Health: Lessons in Natural Wellness from the Animal Kingdom  
The Essential Gandhi  
Coal: A Human History  
A Reason for Hope  
Black Like Me  
A Brief History of Time: From the Big Bang to Black Holes  
The Legacy of Luna

Aldous Huxley  
John Irving  
Kazuo Ishiguro  
James Joyce  
Barbara Kingsolver  
Jack Kerouac  
Chang-Rae Lee  
Naguib Mahfouz  
Bernard Malamud  
Riaan Malan  
Leslie Marmon Silko  
Gabriel Garcia Marquez  
Ian McEwan  
Toni Morrison  
Michael Ondaatje  
Ann Patchett  
Ayn Rand  
Marilyn Robinson  
Murasaki Shikibu  
Dodie Smith  
Zadie Smith  
Amy Tan  
Leo Tolstoy  
Kurt Vonnegut, Jr.  
Alice Walker  
H.G. Wells  
Virginia Woolf  
Richard Wright  
Ch'Eng-En Wu  
Carlos Ruiz Zafon  
Markus Zusak

trans. Robert Bly  
Bertolt Brecht  
Anton Chekhov  
Seamus Heaney  
Arthur Miller  
Rainer Maria Rilke  
William Shakespeare  
Tennessee Williams  
Wisława Szymborska

Lance Armstrong  
Matsuo Basho  
Rachel Carson  
W.E.B. Dubois  
Annie Dillard  
Jared Diamond  
Carlos Eire  
Cindy Engel  
Louis Fischer, ed.  
Barbara Freese  
Jane Goodall  
John Howard Griffin  
Stephen Hawking  
Julia Butterfly Hill

*The Woman Warrior: Memoirs of a Girlhood Among Ghosts*  
*Napoleon's Buttons: 17 Molecules That Changed History*  
*Taking on the World: A Sailor's Extraordinary Solo Race Around the Globe*  
*Rosalind Franklin: The Dark Lady of DNA*  
*Long Walk to Freedom: The Autobiography of Nelson Mandela*  
*Blue Peninsula: Essential Words for a Life of Loss and Change*  
*Three Cups of Tea*  
*Reading Lolita in Tehran: A Memoir in Books*  
*Winterdance: The Fine Madness of Running the Iditarod*  
*The Evolution of Useful Things*  
*Mark Twain-a Life*  
*Hunger for Memory*  
*A Texas Cowboy, or Fifteen Years on the Hurricane Deck of a Spanish Pony*  
*Every War Has Two Losers: William Stafford on Peace and War*  
*The Devil's Highway: A True Story*  
*The Glass Castle*

Maxine Hong Kingston  
Penny Le Couteur and Hay Burreson.  
Ellen MacArthur  
Brenda Maddox

Madge McKeithen  
Greg Mortenson  
Azar Nafisi  
Gary Paulsen  
Henry Petroski  
Ron Powers  
Richard Rodriguez  
Charles A Siringo  
William Stafford  
Luis Alberto Urrea  
Jeannette Walls