Northwood High School Summer Reading List 2024-2025 School Year

The philosophy of the English Department of Northwood includes our constant attention to literacy as the basis for success in the academic arena. We believe that summer reading should include choices and foster an interest in reading which is why we intentionally choose contemporary teen fiction as our main selections.

We ask that parents take part in monitoring the summer reading assignments given to all of our students by researching the novels and helping students choose novels the student would find engaging. Projects, essays, and/or tests based on summer reading will be required within the first two weeks of school in the fall. Students in advanced English classes (Honors, AP, DE, or GT noted with an asterisk) will read two books while all other students will read one.

All Freshmen and Sophomores: Anthem by Ayn Rand

All Juniors and Seniors: A Separate Peace by John Knowles

*Freshman/Sophomore Honors/GT: The Pearl by John Steinbeck

*Junior Honors/AP: How to Read Literature Like a Professor (Revised Edition) by Thomas C. Foster (with writing assignments)

*Senior Dual Enrollment: The Sense of Style: The Thinking Person's Guide to Writing in the 21st Century by Steven Pinker

*Senior AP: Watership Down by RIchard Adams and Station Eleven by Emily St. John Mandel (Only those who are in Mrs. Fisher's senior AP course should read these.)

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