

2021
SUMMER READING
ALIEF I.S.D.

PRE-AP/AP/GT/ ELA GRADES 7 - 12



Dear Students,

Alief I.S.D. is a district that loves and values reading. We know this past year has been unusual and maybe stressful as you deal with complicated circumstance. We care about you and want you to enjoy summer while also participating in our Pre-AP/AP/GT Summer Reading program. Because we know from research that you could lose up to two months of reading skills over the summer months, we want you to continue reading in preparation for our return in the fall.

This summer you **are allowed to select any books that you want to read**. You need to read **at least two books** to meet the Pre-AP/AP/GT course criteria, but you are encouraged to **read as many as you want!** They can be physical books, e-books, and/or audiobooks. ***It is your choice!*** Due to the mature nature of some young adolescent literature, be sure to review and discuss the content of the books with your parents before choosing your novel(s).

When choosing books, remember, you have access to the Houston Public Library! Physical libraries are closed, but [HPL TO GO](#) curbside is available by appointment. You also have access to check out e-books and audio books via our Alief HUB. Click on the HPL link. Your user name is 100 then the first initial of your last name then your school ID. Your password is the month and day of your birthday.

Check out these book lists for titles of great books:

- Awards/Books Lists
 - [Lone Star](#) (good for grades 6, 7, and 8)
 - [Tayshas](#) (high school reading List for state of Texas)
 - [Alex Awards](#) (ten books written for adults that have special appeal to young adults, ages 12 through 18)
 - [The Coretta Scott King Book Awards](#) (books for children and young adults that demonstrate an appreciation of African American culture and universal human values by outstanding African-American authors and illustrators)
 - [Printz Award](#) (books that exemplify literary excellence in young adult literature)
- Young Adult Library Service Association's Best of the Best
 - [Amazing Audiobooks](#)
 - [2019 Top Ten Best Fiction for Young Adults](#)
 - [YASLA Nonfiction Award](#)
- Barnes & Noble [100 Book of Summer for Teens & YA](#)

Assignment:

- Tweet and share what you're reading and what you think about it! #AliefELAReads
- Be ready for book talks in the fall! Within the first three weeks of school, you will discuss ideas and issues you explored in your summer books with your peers and teachers in English class.

Here are some other summer reading opportunities with the Houston Public Library:

- [Summer Reading Program](#) sponsored by the Houston Public Library Foundation and the John P. McGovern Foundation from June 1, 2020 – August 15, 2020.
- [Chapter one with the Houston Public Library](#) - first chapter reads from great books for tweens and teens.

Enjoy your summer reading!
The Secondary Alief ELA Team

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