



NHCS Summer Reading: Rising 9th-12th Grades

Read the novel for the English class you will be taking in the fall and **type at least a one-page double-spaced** letter addressed to one of the characters in the story. The letter should offer praise or advice to the character concerning their role in the book. Consider their relationships with the other characters, the conflicts they faced, and the themes within the story. Remember that no AI resources are allowed. It must be your own work.

Students returning for the 2026-2027 school year, regardless of registration timing, and new students who register during the summer must complete the summer reading assignment on the regular assigned due date, which is **Friday, August 28th**. New students that enroll in August or after the first day of school will be given an alternative assignment during their first week in class.

9/10 Standard/Honors (choose one):

- *1984* - George Orwell
- *Little Women* - Louisa May Alcott

11 Standard:

- *The Scarlet Letter* - Nathaniel Hawthorne

11 Honors/AP:

- *East of Eden* - John Steinbeck

12 Standard:

- *Fahrenheit 451* - Ray Bradbury

12 AP:

- *The Picture of Dorian Gray* - Oscar Wilde

Pace yourself! Do not wait until the last minute to begin your reading. You will enjoy the book much more if you plan to read a few chapters weekly throughout the summer.

All students, please email your assignment to your teacher by Friday, August 28th. The completion of this Summer Reading Project will be counted as one of your first graded assignments for the Trimester. *Please note regardless of your trimester schedule, all Summer Reading Projects are due by the August date.*