

Brother Martin High School - Summer Reading 2017

Exploring personal reading interests will come naturally to some students, but surely not to everyone. It is often the case that when kids don't like to read, they are reading something that is not a good fit for them. If your child is a reluctant reader, encourage them to search for books and magazines about something that they already find interesting. We recognize that students don't get much free reading time throughout the school year, so we want to give them that freedom during the summer. Increasing free reading outside of school has a positive impact on growth in vocabulary, reading comprehension, and fluency. This, in turn, benefits students' work in every discipline. This year, as in recent years, Brother Martin is sponsoring its annual Summer Reading program to encourage lifelong learning and a love of literature. Happy reading!

- **8th grade students** will read the same book and will NOT be taking the traditional test. Lessons and activities related to the book will be incorporated into their classes. **This book can be purchased from the Admissions Office for \$10.** More information can be found on page 2.
- **9th - 12th grade students** will choose ONE book to read from the list on page 2. **These books may be purchased through MBSDirect.net beginning June 1st.** Students will take a brief test in August that will count toward the 1st Quarter grade in a class linked to the chosen book.
- **English Honors & AP and World Geography Honors** students have additional summer reading assigned. See the information below. **These books may also be purchased through MBSDirect.net beginning June 1st.**

Required Reading for Honors and AP Classes

8th Grade

7160 World Geography H: *Shipwreck at the Bottom of the World* by Jennifer Armstrong
(ISBN: 9780375810497)

1030 English I H: *Gods, Heroes and Men of Ancient Greece* by W.H.D. Rouse
(ISBN: 9780451527905)

9th Grade

1120/1130 English I/II H: *The Once and Future King* by T.H. White (ISBN: 9780441627400)

10th Grade

1220/1230 English II/III H: *The Natural* by Bernard Malamud (ISBN: 9780374502003)

11th Grade

1330/1340 English III/IV H: *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain
(ISBN: 9780553210798)

1370/1380 English III/IV AP: *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain
(ISBN: 9780553210798)

12th Grade

1440/1450 English IV/V H: *The Power and the Glory* by Graham Greene (ISBN: 9780143107552)

1470/1480 English IV/V AP: *The Power and the Glory* by Graham Greene
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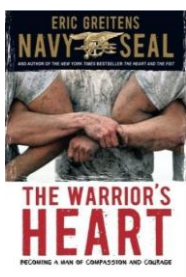
No Summit out of Sight: The True Story of the Youngest Person to Climb the Seven Summits by Jordan Romero with Linda LeBlanc (ISBN: 9781481432764)



At the age of nine, Jordan Romero saw a mural on the wall of his elementary school and wondered what it would be like to stand on the tallest mountain on each continent. This is the inspiring true story of Jordan's quest to make his dream come true through sheer force of will and determination against the odds.

9th - 12th Grades — Choose one of the following books:

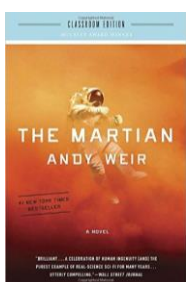
The Warrior's Heart: Becoming a Man of Compassion and Courage by Eric Greitens, Navy Seal (ISBN: 9780544104815)



Discover Eric's evolution from average kid to humanitarian to warrior, training and serving with the most elite military outfit in the world. Along the way, readers will be asked to consider the power of choices, of making the decision each and every day to act with courage and compassion so that they grow to be tomorrow's heroes.

Linked to world language, religion, physical education, or NJROTC classes.

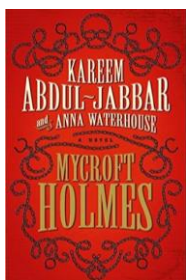
The Martian - CLASSROOM EDITION ONLY by Andy Weir (ISBN: 9780804189354)



Six days ago, astronaut Mark Watney became one of the first people to walk on Mars. Now, he's sure he'll be the first person to die there. After a dust storm nearly kills him and forces his crew to evacuate while thinking him dead, Mark finds himself stranded and completely alone with no way to even signal Earth that he's alive.

Linked to science, computer science, or math classes.

Mycroft Holmes by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Anna Waterhouse (ISBN: 9781783291540)



Fresh out of Cambridge University, the young Mycroft Holmes, Sherlock's brother, is making a name for himself, working for the Secretary of State for War. His best friend, Cyrus Douglas, from the faraway island of Trinidad receives troubling reports from home of disappearances, strange footprints in the sand, spirits enticing children to their deaths, and bodies found drained of blood. The two depart for Trinidad to help solve the mystery.

Paperback available June 7th.

Linked to English, fine arts, or social studies classes.