

MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL – SUMMER READING 2010

NOTE: ALL STUDENTS WILL WRITE AN ESSAY ON THEIR REQUIRED SUMMER READING BOOK ON THE SECOND DAY OF SCHOOL.

INCOMING FRESHMAN: Incoming 9th graders must read one of the following books: *Speak*, Laurie Halse Anderson; *Flowers for Algernon*, Daniel Keyes; or *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*, Sherman Alexie.

In addition, all incoming 9th graders must read one other book of their own choice.

Incoming 9th grade honors students must ALSO read *Nine Stories* by J.D. Salinger

INCOMING SOPHOMORES: Incoming 10th graders must read one of the following books: *The Fortress of Solitude*, Jonathan Lethem; *The Secret Life of Bees*, Sue Monk Kidd; or *Friday Night Lights*, H.G. Bissinger.

In addition, all incoming 10th graders must read one other book of their own choice.

Incoming 10th grade honors students must ALSO read *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*, Mark Haddon.

INCOMING JUNIORS: Incoming 11th grade college preparatory students must read one of the following books: *In Cold Blood*, Truman Capote; *Always Running*, Luis Rodriguez; or *Plainsong*, Kent Haruf.

In addition, incoming 11th grade college preparatory students must read one other book of their own choice.

Incoming 11AP students must read ALL of the following books: *The Things They Carried*, Tim O'Brien; *Frankenstein*, Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley; and *Grammar Snobs Are Great Big Meanies*, June Casagrande. See your AP teacher or the Malibu High School web site for list of assignments.

INCOMING SENIORS: Incoming 12th grade college preparatory students must read the following book: *The Sun Also Rises*, Ernest Hemingway.

In addition, incoming 12th grade college preparatory students must read one other book of their own choice.

Incoming 12AP students must read BOTH of the following books: *Catch-22*, Joseph Heller and *Candide*, Voltaire. Additionally they must read ONE of the following books: *The Princess Bride*, William Goldman; *The Confederacy of Dunces*, John Kennedy O'Toole; or *A Prayer for Owen Meany*, John Irving. See your AP teacher or the Malibu High School web site for list of assignments.

NOTE: Some of these books deal with adult themes. For example, *Always Running* by Luis Rodriguez, included as a high interest selection, shows the dangers of drugs and violence through the author's youthful experiences with gang life. Parents may wish to preview books and help students to select a book.