

2025 Tenney School Summer Reading List

Middle school students are responsible for a written summary for the assigned novel. The summary—including characters, setting, and plot—may be typed or handwritten. The assignment is due the first week of school and will be considered a major grade for the first grading period.

Grade 6

Esperanza Rising by Pam Muñoz Ryan

Grade 7

Holes by Louis Sachar

Grade 8

The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton

High School students will take a written test within the first two weeks of school over the assigned novel.

Grade 9

The Call of the Wild by Jack London

Grade 10

Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury

Grade 11

Isaac's Storm by Erik Larson

Grade 11 AP Students

Must read both novels

Thunderstruck by Erik Larsen Carrie by Stephen King

Grade 12

Choose one novel

And there Was Light: Abraham Lincoln and the American Struggle by Pulitzer winner Jon Meacham

Catcher in the Rye by J. D. Salinger

Cher: Part One: The Memoir by Cher

(She has dyslexia and an incredible spirit, and this book is perfect for summer.)

Grade 12 AP Students

Must read both novels 1984 by George Orwell

Frankenstein by Mary Shelley