Summer Reading for Students Entering 11th Grade

We are excited that you will be coming to Westminster in the fall. Students are required to complete a summer reading assignment, and you will find the information below. Reading can take you to new worlds. We hope you discover wonderful places this summer.

This summer, you are to read a total of 3 books:
the **required reading** (*Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain)
a book from the attached list (per your parents' approval).
a book of your choice (per your parents' approval).

There is no summer writing assignment; however, please note the following:

1. On the attached reading verification form, you should list the title and author of the book you chose from the list and the title and author of the book of your choice. Parents should sign the form indicating that you have read the 2 books listed. This form is to be handed in on the <u>first day</u> of school.

2. On the <u>second day</u> of school, you will have a short comprehension test on the required reading. You will be tested on the plot of the novel, on your understanding of the events and the characters in the novel, as well as the major conflicts illustrated in the story. If you read the required book early in the summer, you will want to review before the test. You do <u>not</u> need a copy of the novel on test day.*

3. On the <u>third day</u> of school, you will participate in a class "book chat" in which you will have the opportunity to share and discuss the additional books you read. The preparation needed for the book chat will be discussed with you on the first day of school. Please bring the novels you chose to read with you on "book chat" day if possible. .

*As stated above, having a copy of the required reading novel is not necessary on test day. However, having a copy of your chosen novels on "book chat" day will be helpful. If you check your books out from a public library and will have returned them before school begins, you should jot down a favorite passage from the novel prior to returning the book, so you can share this passage with your class during group discussion.

<u>Late Registering Students:</u>

*Students registering after July 15 are responsible for the required book only.

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Choose 1 of the following books. Record the book title and author on the attached reading verification form. Do not choose a book you have already read!

TITLE	AUTHOR
Bird by Bird	Lamott
Cold Sassy Tree	Burns
Crucible, The	Miller
David Copperfield	Dickens
Emma	Austen
Fahrenheit 451	Bradbury
Far From the Madding Crowd	Hardy
Farewell to Arms, A	Hemingway
For Whom the Bell Tolls	Hemingway
Frankenstein	Shelley
Gone with the Wind	Mitchell
Good Earth, The	Buck
Grapes of Wrath, The	Steinbeck
Gulliver's Travels	Swift
House of the Seven Gables, The	Hawthorne
Ivanhoe	Scott
Juliet	Fortier
Last of the Mohicans, The	Cooper
Les Miserables	Hugo
Lord Jim	Conrad
Lord of the Rings, The	Tolkien
Maltese Falcon, The	Hammett
Mutiny on the Bounty	Nordhoff and Hall
My Cousin Rachel	DuMaurier
Narrative of the Life of Fredrick Douglass, The	Douglass
Oliver Twist	Dickens
Picture of Dorian Gray, The	Wilde
Power and the Glory, The	Greene
Robe, The	Douglas
Silas Marner	Eliot
Tess of the D'Urbervilles	Hardy
The Book Thief	Zusak, Markus

The Glass Castle	Walls
The Joy Luck Club	Tan
The Postmistress	Blake
The Old Man and the Sea	Hemingway
Tuesdays with Morrie	Albom
Uncle Tom's Cabin	Stowe
Walden	Thoreau

READING VERIFICATION FORM

This form is due the first day of school.

1. I read the following book from the WCA Selection Novel List.

TITLE

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AUTHOR

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2. I read the following book as my book-of-choice for summer reading.

TITLE

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AUTHOR

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Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____