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Dear Parents:



Good readers make good thinkers and writers. The language arts teachers at Lakeside believe that good reading habits need to be a part of every student's daily routine year around. In working towards this goal, we are requiring that all students read novels this summer. Every student is required to read at least one novel or a combination of novels equal to a minimum of 300 pages. Because students will begin the school year with an assignment directly related to the novel they read, it is vital that they complete this assignment before returning to school from summer break. **Students must choose a book that they have not already read.** We are including a list of popular novels that students may want to explore.



Since this reading is completed outside the classroom structure, we are asking for your assistance. All students are required to record their summer reading progress on bookmark cards. At the end of the summer, we are asking parents to verify this reading by signing the bookmark cards. Student will be required to turn in their signed bookmark cards in September. A Summer Reading Project will be assigned in September. The project will give students the opportunity to share what they read and learned in their summer reading.



Thank you in advance for your support.



Sincerely,



Lakeside's Language Arts Department



**Titles
(choose something you HAVEN'T read before.)**



Diary of a Young Girl
Separate Peace
A Child Called It
Speak
The Giver
Gathering Blue
Coraline
The Freedom Writers Diary
Night
Touching Spirit Bear
Series of Uglies, Pretties, Specials
Series of Twilight, New Moon, Eclipse,
Breaking Dawn



The Outsiders
Tangerine
Ghost of Spirit Bear
So B It
Fever 1793
Across Five Aprils
Series of Eragon

