



KENNEDY CATHOLIC
HIGH SCHOOL

Summer Reading 2020

All students attending Kennedy must read one book (and for some courses, two books) before the school year starts. Our intent is to encourage students to become life-long readers and learners outside the academic classroom environment. We hope to promote critical and independent thinking as well as consideration of diversity of viewpoints. Please keep in mind that some books may contain language or content that some parents may not be comfortable with. We make every effort to choose books that illustrate the Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching and also relate to many disciplines and topics; however, we encourage parents and students to read the books together and discuss them during and after reading.

The assessment of this book will occur within the first two weeks of school in your English class and may take the form of a quiz, project, discussion, or literature circles.

9th Grade

Dry by Neal & Jarrod Shusterman

10th Grade

The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros

10th Grade Honors | Read Both

Lord of the Flies by William Golding

The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros

11th Grade | Choose One

Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline

The Last Days of Summer by Steve Kluger

11th Grade AP Literature | Read Both

The Awakening by Kate Chopin

The Scarlet Letter by Nathaniel Hawthorne

12th Grade Contemporary Lit/Global Identities/Creative Writing

Born a Crime by Trevor Noah (Parts I and II only)

12th Grade UW 131

Ellen Foster by Kaye Gibbons

12th Grade Great Ideas | Read Both

Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates

The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini

We encourage students to purchase a copy of their Summer Read book to help build their own library, but we understand this isn't always possible. You can get your book(s) online or from your local library or bookseller. Each of these books may also be available for e-readers. www.amazon.com, www.alibris.com (discount), www.half.com (discount)