



Curriculum & Instruction
Board Approved Novels for 9 – 12
2020 – 2021

Ninth Grade (9):	
Required Reading options:	
Title	Author
Romeo and Juliet	William Shakespeare
To Kill a Mockingbird	Harper Lee
Required reading - choose one of the following	
Of Mice and Men	John Steinbeck
Speak	Laurie Halse Anderson
The Absolutely True Diary of a Part Time Indian	Sherman Alexie
Supplemental Reading options:	
*Cry the Beloved Country	Alan Paton
Ender's Game	Orson Scott Card
I Am Malala	C. Lamb & M. Yousafzai
Martian Chronicles	Ray Bradbury
Necessary Roughness	Marie G. Lee
The Old Man and the Sea	Ernest Hemingway
The Pact	Drs. S. Davis, G. Jenkins, R. Hunt

Tenth Grade (10):	
Required Reading options:	
Title	Author
1984 <i>or</i>	George Orwell
Lord of the Flies	William Golding
Night	Elie Wiesel
Required reading - choose one of the following	
A Midsummer's Night Dream	Shakespeare
Julius Caesar	Shakespeare
Long Way Gone	Ishmael Beah
Memoir of a Geisha	Sayo Masuda
Persepolis	Marjane Satrapi

The Kite Runner	Khaled Hosseini
The Pearl	John Steinbeck
Woman Warrior	Maxine Kingston
Supplemental Reading Options:	
Animal Farm	George Orwell
Chronicle of a Death Foretold	Gabriel Garcia Marquez
Fahrenheit 451	Ray Bradbury
** Frankenstein	Mary Shelley
Gulliver's Travels	Jonathan Swift
Kiss Every Step	Doris Martin Springer
Siddhartha	Herman Hesse
The Odyssey	Homer
The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde	Robert Louis Stevenson

Eleventh Grade (11):	
Required Reading options:	
Title	Author
Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass (also graphic novel)	Frederick Douglass
Black Boy	Richard Wright
The Crucible	Arthur Miller
Required reading choose one of the following:	
Catcher in the Rye	J. D. Salinger
Great Gatsby	F. Scott Fitzgerald
Huck Finn	Mark Twain
Lesson Before Dying	Ernest Gaines
The Secret Life of Bees	Sue Monk Kidd
Supplemental Reading options:	
Always Running	Luis J. Rodriguez
Bless Me, Ultima	Rodolpho Anaya
Common Sense	Thomas Paine
Everyday	David Levithan
Lone Ranger & Tonto First Fight in Heaven	Sherman Alexie
Ordinary People	Judith Guest
The Grapes of Wrath	John Steinbeck
The Jungle	Upton Sinclair
The Tempest	Wm. Shakespeare
Tortilla Curtain	T.C. Boyle

Twelfth Grade (12):	
Required Reading:	
Title	Author
Death of a Salesman	Arthur Miller
The Things They Carried	Tim O'Brien
Required reading - choose one of the following:	
A Place to Stand	Jimmy Santiago Baca
A Streetcar Named Desire	Tennessee Williams
Angela's Ashes	Frank McCourt
Breaking Clean	Judy Blunt
Cat's Cradle	Kurt Vonnegut
One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest	Ken Kesey
Supplemental Reading options:	
American Earth: Environmental Writing Since Thoreau	Bill McKibben
Beloved	Toni Morrison
Brave New World	Aldous Huxley
Change Me Into Zeus' Daughter	Barbara Robinette Ross
Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight	Alexandra Fuller
Into the Wild	Jon Krakauer
Jane Eyre	Charlotte Bronte
King Richard III	William Shakespeare
Lakota Woman	Mary Crow Dog
Leaving Home	Lynn Freed
Long Walk	Slovamir Rawicz
Much Ado About Nothing	William Shakespeare
Native Son	James Baldwin
Rule of the Bone	Russell Banks
The Awakening	Kate Chopin
The Bell Jar	Sylvia Plath
The Bluest Eye	Toni Morrison
The Color of Water	James McBride
The English Patient	Michael Ondaatje
The Handmaid's Tale	Margaret Atwood
The Joy Luck Club	Amy Tan
The Other Wes Moore	Wes Moore
This Boy's Life	Tobias Wolff
Waiting for Godot	Samuel Beckett
Wuthering Heights	Emily Bronte