

# RYE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Rye High School Students, Parents, and Guardians,

Reading transports us to new worlds, or even teaches us more about the people and places in our own lives. The English Department hopes students and families will continue reading as often as possible this summer. Our goal is to continue encouraging students to become lifelong readers and learners.

Your summer reading challenge is to read at least two books you have not read before. In September, students will evaluate their summer reading books and participate in discussions within their classrooms about the various books. Instead of a finite list of suggestions, we are including resources below to help you find amazing books to read. Please also talk to family members, friends, teachers, and librarians for help selecting books. Click [here](#) to peruse book recommendations across a variety of genres on our collaborative faculty summer reading Padlet. Click [here](#) to check out book recommendations from current Rye students!

Students electing AP English courses will complete specific assignments (listed and linked after the resources below) for their respective classes *in addition* to reading two books independently. We hope all students and families enjoy summer reading!

Sincerely,  
The Rye High School English Department

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## Resources for Selecting Summer Reading Books:

### [The Rye Free Reading Room:](#)

Our local library offers book suggestions, and exciting teen programs. Students should log their reading on the library's READsquared app to earn prizes and share book reviews. [Click here](#) for their summer reading website.

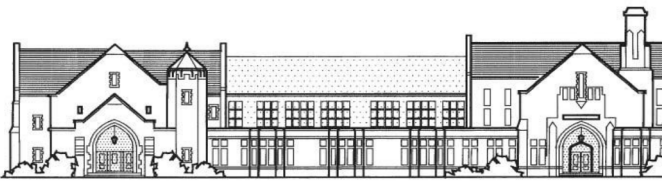
### [Outstanding Books for the College Bound and Lifelong Learners:](#)

The Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) compiles a list of recommended titles every five years. The list is divided into five categories, and is a combination of fiction, nonfiction, and poetry. [Click here](#) for a list of the top 25 books for teens in 2022, nominated by teens and compiled by YALSA.

### [Indie Bound Bestseller List:](#)

Hundreds of independent booksellers nationwide collaborate to generate this monthly list.





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## [New York Times Bestseller List](#)

Thousands of retailers report unit sales to generate this weekly list by one of our nation's top newspapers.





## [The Great American Read \(PBS\)](#)

This list of 100 novels was generated when PBS conducted a demographically and statistically representative survey asking Americans to name their most-loved novel.

### Students enrolled in AP courses:

In addition to two books of your choice, read the assigned selections for your specific class as noted below, and complete the assignments for your class linked below.

Course/Level Fall 2023	Assignment
 <b>AP English Language &amp; Composition</b>	Click <a href="#">here</a> for the assignments, including a selection of five essays.
 <b>AP English Literature &amp; Composition</b>	Click <a href="#">here</a> for the assignments.

**Books are a uniquely portable magic. — Stephen King**

