



*“Everyone is a reader...Some just haven’t found their favorite book yet.”*

### **Summer Reading Assignment 2016-2017**

For students taking Reading I and Reading II, you are required to choose **one** novel from the list below to read over your summer vacation. In September, you will be tested during class time on your chosen novel through the Accelerated Reader (AR) Program. The Reading Practice quiz will test you in the areas of comprehension and vocabulary. Below are a variety of high-interest nonfiction and fiction texts that you may choose. I hope you enjoy your book and have a relaxing and safe summer! ~ Miss Teolis

#### **Nonfiction Book Choices:**

##### **Tuesdays With Morrie** by Mitch Albom

This book is a chronicle of the time the author spent with his mentor, his former college professor, in the last months of the older man's life. Their rekindled relationship turned into one final “class” in lessons in how to live.

##### **We Beat the Streets: How a Friendship Pact Led to Success** by Sampson Davis

Three men from Newark share anecdotes from their childhoods, teen years, and young adult lives after they pledge in high school to stay safe from drugs, gangs, and crime, and work to become doctors. The text contains violence.

#### **Fiction Book Choices:**

##### **Thirteen Reasons Why** by Jay Asher

When high school student Clay Jenkins receives a box in the mail containing thirteen cassette tapes recorded by his classmate Hannah, who committed suicide, he spends a heartbreaking night listening to her recount the events leading up to her death.

**Monster** by Walter Dean Myers

While on trial as an accomplice to a murder, 16-year-old Steve Harmon records his experiences in prison and in the courtroom in the form of a film script as he tries to come to terms with the course his life has taken.

**My Sister's Keeper** by Jodi Picoult

Thirteen-year-old Anna, conceived to provide blood and bone marrow for her sister Kate who was diagnosed with a rare form of leukemia at the age of two, decides to sue her parents for control of her body when her mother wants her to donate a kidney.