

OUR LADY OF THE ELMS HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER READING LIST (2023-2024)

INCOMING NINTH

"The Possibility of Evil" - Shirley Jackson
"Initiation" - Sylvia Plath
"The Scarlet Ibis" - James Hurst
(All short stories)

INCOMING TENTH

A Raisin in the Sun - Lorraine Hansberry

INCOMING ELEVENTH

Animal Farm - George Orwell

INCOMING TWELFTH COLLEGE PREP.

There, There - Tommy Orange
"The Only Stoplight on the Reservation Doesn't Work Anymore" - Sherman Alexie
How to Read Literature Like a Professor, Ch 11: "More Than It's Gonna Hurt You: Concerning Violence"

INCOMING NINTH HONORS

Lord of the Flies - William Golding
Jane Eyre - Charlotte Bronte

INCOMING TENTH HONORS

The Age of Miracles - Karen Thompson Walker
The Grapes of Wrath - John Steinbeck

INCOMING ELEVENTH HONORS

Pride and Prejudice - Jane Austen
Brave New World - Aldous Huxley

INCOMING TWELFTH HONORS

Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close - Jonathan Safran Foer
"The Thing in the Forest" - A.S. Byatt
How to Read Literature Like a Professor, Ch 1: "Every Trip Is a Quest"

INCOMING ADVANCED PLACEMENT

All the Light We Cannot See - Anthony Doerr
Oedipus Rex - Sophocles
"Cathedral" - Raymond Carver
How to Read Literature Like a Professor, Ch 22: "He's Blind for a Reason, You Know"

The use of Spark Notes, Cliff's Notes, or similar aids is permitted for those who need such help to facilitate comprehension; however, these are to be used in conjunction with, not as a replacement for, the reading of the books. In August, when classes resume, students will be tested on the assigned reading material. Be sure to ask your future English teacher what study guides and/or related material may be required with each work. Assignments will be posted on the Elms website.