



Byrnes High School



Honors/AP English Summer Reading 2022

Summer reading for Honors and AP English students at James F. Byrnes High School is required. Students are assigned TWO works to read on their own BEFORE the first day of class. Students should read carefully and critically. These books are available at local libraries and bookstores as well as from online booksellers (new or used). Students and parents are reminded that students should always read unabridged versions. Teachers will test students on their knowledge and understanding of the summer reading during the first two weeks of the course. Email these teachers if you have questions.

- **English 2 Honors (jeri.hollis@spart5.net):**
 - *To Kill a Mockingbird* (Harper Lee)
 - *Animal Farm* (George Orwell)

- **English 3 Honors (susanne.cash@spart5.net, lea.allen@spart5.net):**
 - *-Warriors Don't Cry* (Melba Patillo Beals) Unabridged version only (with purple text on cover)

AND

 - Choose **ONE** of the following options:
 - *The Secret Life of Bees* (Sue Monk Kidd)
 - *Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption* (Laura Hillenbrand) - NOT the young adult adaptation
 - *The Anthropocene Reviewed* (John Green)

- **English 4 Honors (tracy.camp@spart5.net, jeri.hollis@spart5.net):**
 - *Pride and Prejudice* (Jane Austen)
 - *The Importance of Being Earnest* (Oscar Wilde)

- **AP English Language (susanne.cash@spart5.net):**
 - *Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption* (Bryan Stevenson)
 - *Educated* (Tara Westover)

- **AP English Literature (tracy.camp@spart5.net):**
 - *Wuthering Heights* (Emily Bronte)

AND

 - Choose **ONE** of these Pulitzer Prize-winning contemporary works:
 - *The Road* (Cormac McCarthy- 2006)
 - *Empire Falls* (Richard Russo-2001)
 - *The Overstory* (Richard Powers- 2018)
 - *Olive Kitteridge* (Elizabeth Strout - 2008)
 - *The Underground Railroad* (Colson Whitehead- 2017)