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Carver Students and Parents:

As summer is quickly approaching, we want to make sure you are aware of the summer reading requirements at CMHS. The ELA/History summer reading program builds more opportunities to read and write across the curriculum, and is designed to help transition students smoothly from one year to the next.

Each student will be expected to read at least two books over the summer. One of these required books will be assigned and assessed in students' History classes. The other(s) will be assigned and assessed in students' English classes. So, in most grade levels students will be assigned

- a History nonfiction book that is common at grade level
 - one fiction book from the ELA Choice List
- *Honors students must read an assigned book for English in addition to the choice book.

Exceptions

Students entering **6th grade** will read only one book from the ELA Choice List. They will not have a required history book.

Students going into the **12th grade** will have two books to read from the English 11th and 12th grade choice list, since there is no required History course in the 12th grade.

Students enrolled in **AP English & History** courses will be provided a different reading list by next year's teacher.

Justification of the Texts

History texts were chosen based on their relevance to upcoming subject matter, their broad appeal, and their broad accessibility.

English lists were put together to accommodate a range of interests and reading levels and (for grades nine through twelve) to adhere to grade specific themes.

Availability

Copies of the texts are available at the Carver Public Library. They have been available for purchase from Barnes & Noble through the school. They are also available, either used or new, at online vendors like amazon.com.

Enjoy the summer. We look forward to discussing the books in the fall.

Sincerely,
The English & History Departments

Assessment

English: Students going into grades 6 – 8 must complete the reading log, get it signed by a parent or guardian, and hand it in to their English teacher on the first day of school. Students should also be ready to demonstrate their knowledge of the book through presentation, writing, and discussion.

Students going into grades 9 – 12 will share what they have read in both formal and informal assessments when students return to school in the fall. This may mean writing a letter to the author and/or engaging in a Literary Circle discussion.

History: Students must complete the study guides that go along with the grade level texts and turn them in on the first day of class. There are reading comprehension quizzes at some grade levels, and at all levels there is a follow-up assessment that engages students and helps students connect the summer reading to course content.

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