

Hello students and parents of Teurlings Catholic High School,

As the end of the school year approaches, it is time to start looking to summer activities and the 2025-2026 school year. Teurlings Catholic High School requires students to read <u>at least one book</u> over the summer break.

Below, we have provided a general outline for your quick reference. On the following pages, you will find an explanation and specific details of the TCHS summer reading program.

Please make sure to read ALL pages carefully.

In Summary:

- Book must have AR UG reading level
- Book must be at least 150 pages long

What do students have to turn in?

- Parent Permission Slip printed and signed (Page 3)
- Student Agreement printed and signed (Page 4)
- Proof of AR UG reading level printed (Page 5)
- Annotation Guide (40 points) [Students click here when you are ready to complete]

When is it due?

- The first week of school
- Annotation Guide will be due on the first full day of class (40 points)

Reminders:

- Students must have their own physical copy of their book
- Online books and eReaders are not allowed
- Book must be at least 150 pages long



Explanation of the TCHS Summer Reading Program

Teurlings Catholic High School students moving to 10th, 11th, or 12th grade will be required to read a book of their choosing. The book must be at least 150 pages long. There is also a reading level requirement. Please see the permission sheet (Page 3) for specific requirements. Students must complete the summer reading annotation guide (link on previous page) in order to receive credit for reading the book. It is worth 40 points.

Your child will not receive credit for a book he/she has not had approved by a parent or guardian. They will not receive credit for the book if the annotation guide is not completed.

We do not test in the summer. Your child will be testing, discussing, and/or writing about their book in their English class during the first week of school.

Please encourage your child to read and approach this project with integrity. In other words, your child's book must be on the student's grade level, and it must be a book the student has never read before. Students are NOT allowed to read any of the books read and taught in TCHS classes without written approval from Mrs. Ledet (TCHS Librarian). Please see the final page of this document for details.

For the 10th-12th graders, suggested reading lists are readily available online. Of course, many books available to high school readers are not appropriate. Please be sure your child is reading something you are comfortable with. AR Book Finder (under the Collections tab) and Common Sense Media both have links available to alert parents to any questionable content in many books. You are the final judge in what is or is not appropriate for your child.

Thank you in advance for your support. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Carrieanne Ledet (<u>cledet@tchs.</u> <u>net</u>).



Parent Permission Slip

(Print and Complete)

Due the first week of the 2025-2026 School Year

has my permission to read _

(Title of Book)

I understand books not on the student's reading level will not be accepted. Books must have an AR Interest Level of UG (Upper Grades).

AR Interest Levels of LG (Lower Grades), MG (Middle Grades), and MG+ (Upper Middle Grades) are <u>NOT</u> acceptable.

** AR Interest Levels are found at <u>arbookfind.com</u>**

Proof of the AR Interest Level OR written approval from Mrs. Ledet (TCHS Librarian) is required.

I also understand students are required to read the book and watching the movie based on the book will not prepare the student for the assignment. It is suggested studentschoose a book that has not been made into a movie. If students choose to read a book that has been made into a movie, their assignment will be more difficult in order to ensure the book has in fact been read.

Students must have their own copy of their book. Online books and eReaders are not allowed.

Books must be at least 150 pages long.

(Student First and Last Name)

This form, proof of the AR Interest Level OR written approval from Mrs. Ledet, and the annotation guide are due during the first week of the 2025-2026 school year.

Parent Signature _____

Student Signature _____



Student Agreement (Print and Complete) Due the first week of the 2025-2026 School Year

TCHS 2025 Summer Reading Program

I, _____, understand 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students at Teurlings Catholic High School must read at least one book of their choosing over the summer. The book must be at least 150 pages long. I also understand books not on the student's reading level also will not be accepted.

I, _____, also understand in order to receive credit for reading the novel, I am required to **complete the summer reading annotation guide**; the book must be at least 150 pages, and it must have an AR Interest Level of UG.

AR Interest Level: UG (Upper Grades)

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Proof of the AR Interest Level OR written approval from Mrs. Ledet (TCHS Librarian) is required.

I have read this information and understand the requirements of the Teurlings Catholic High School Summer Reading Program. I also understand students are required to read the book and watching the movie will not prepare the student for the assignment. It is suggested students choose a book that has not been made into a movie. If students choose to read a book that has been made into a movie, their assignment will be more difficult in order to ensure that the book has in fact been read.

Students must have their own copy of their book. Online books and eReaders are not allowed.

Books must be at least 150 pages long.

This form, proof of the AR Interest Level OR written approval from Mrs. Ledet, and the summer reading Annotation Guide are due during the first week of the 2025-2026 school year.

Student Signature _____



Determining AR Reading Level

Go to arbookfind.com

- 1. Choose the "student" or "parent" bubble.
- 2. Type the book title in the search bar and click search.
- 3. You will see information similar to what is pictured below.

4. Look for "IL." Next to it, it should read "UG." If there is "LG" or "MG" next to the Interest Level, this means this book is for lower grades.

5. PRINT the page.



 The Hound of the Baskervilles (Unabridged)

 Doyle, Arthur Conan

 Art Quiz No. 5984 EN Fiction

 IL: UG - BL: 8.3 - AR Pts: 11.0

 NAR Quiz Types: RP, LS, VP

 Rating:

 Sherlock Holmes and Watson set out to solve the mystery that had haunted the Baskerville family for years and had recently occurred again.

The "IL" (Interest Level) should be "UG" (Upper Grade).



Books to avoid when selecting your summer reading book:

The following books are taught throughout the year in TCHS English classes.

Students CANNOT read any of these listed below over the summer.

If a student wants to read one of the books listed below, and they will not be required to read it for a class, they can email TCHS Librarian Carrieanne Ledet (<u>cledet@tchs.net</u>) for written permission. Students will not be given credit for reading one of these books without this written permission

Freshmen Summer Reading:

Bluefish (by Pat Schmatz), Gym Candy (by Carl Deuker), This is Our Story (by Ashley Elston), Just Listen (by Sarah Dessen)

<u>Freshmen:</u>

To Kill a Mockingbird (by Harper Lee), Hidden Figures (by Margot Lee Shetterly), Romeo and Juliet (Shakes) - no need to buy/in the textbook

Freshmen Honors:

To Kill a Mockingbird (by Harper Lee), The House on Mango Street (by Sandra Cisneros), Romeo and Juliet (Shakes) - no need to buy/in the textbook

Sophomores:

Of Mice and Men (by John Steinbeck), Night (by Elie Wiesel), Julius Caesar (by William Shakespeare) - no need to buy/in the textbook, The Joy Luck Club (Amy Tan) - Carriker Class only

Sophomore Honors:

A Thousand Splendid Suns (by Khaled Hosseini), Julius Caesar (by William Shakespeare), Night (by Eli Wiesel), Lord of the Flies (by William Golding)

<u>Juniors:</u>

Farenheit 451 (by Ray Bradbury) Hebert Class only, Another book pending...

Juniors Honors and DE:

Native Son (by Richard Wright), A Streetcar Named Desire (by Tennessee Williams)

Seniors:

Animal Farm (by George Orwell), Pride and Prejudice (by H.G. Wells), The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde (by Robert Louis Stevenson)

Seniors Honors

Animal Farm (by George Orwell), The Island of Dr. Moreau (by H.G. Wells)

Seniors DE:

Frankenstein (by Mary Shelley), 1984 (by George Orwell)