



Holy Name High School
Summer Reading 2018

Senior AP Summer Reading List

Before the year starts, students taking AP English Literature & Composition (141) will be required to read the following **three (3)** works of literature:

Required Books:

Carry On: A Story of Resilience, Redemption, and an Unlikely Family - by Lisa Fenn

Lisa Fenn produced human-interest features for ESPN for over a decade, but one particular story came into her life and never left. After seeing a newspaper image of two young wrestlers from one of Cleveland's tougher public high schools, Lisa followed a hunch and flew back to her hometown to meet the boys that very day. What she found caused her spirit both to sink and to soar. Leroy Sutton, who lost his legs in a childhood train accident, could often be found riding on the back of Dartanyon Crockett, who was legally blind and had no permanent place to call home. Initially drawn together by their handicaps, the boys soon developed a brother-like bond. When one wrestled, the other sat on the edge of the mat, and their cheerful friendship was a source of inspiration both on and off the mat.

How to Read Literature Like a Professor - by Thomas C. Foster

This is a nonfiction literary guide that aims to assist readers and students in their engagement with literature. The book identifies certain literary conventions that guide literature; knowledge of and familiarity with these conventions would enable a beginner reader to become a professional one, and read literature as professors do.

The Kite Runner - by Khaled Hosseini

The unforgettable, heartbreaking story of an unlikely friendship between a wealthy boy and the son of his father's servant, *The Kite Runner* is a beautifully crafted novel set in a country that is in the process of being destroyed. It is about the power of reading, the price of betrayal, the possibility of redemption and an exploration of the power of fathers over sons—their love, their sacrifices, their lies.