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Dear Parents,

The English Department of St. Frederick would like to announce the summer reading program for 2019. In challenging our students to read more, we believe that their vocabularies expand and their analytical thinking skills improve, resulting in improved performance both in the classroom and on standardized tests. Therefore, students in grades 7 - 12 are required to read one or more books this summer.

It is imperative that students complete the books **by the beginning of the first week of school, as they will be discussed immediately followed by a writing assignment and test.** The following books have been selected for each class:

7th grade — *I am David* – Ann Holm

8th grade — *Long Walk to Water* – Linda Sue Park

9th grade — *Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children* – Ransom Riggs

10th grade — *Ender's Game* – Orson Scott Card

10th Honors — *Ender's Game* – Orson Scott Card **AND** *A Farewell to Arms* – Ernest Hemingway

11th grade - *Our Town* – Thornton Wilder

11th Honors — *Our Town* – Thornton Wilder **AND** *The Invisible Man* – Ralph Ellison

11th Pre- AP - *Pride and Prejudice* – Jane Austen **AND** *Pygmalion* – George Bernard Shaw

12th grade — *Pygmalion* – George Bernard Shaw

12th Honors - *Pygmalion* – George Bernard Shaw **AND**
The Picture of Dorian Gray – Oscar Wilde

AP English - *A Gathering of Old Men* – Ernest Gaines **AND**
The Importance of Being Earnest – Oscar Wilde

Summer Reading for Religion – there will be a test in Religion and a writing assignment in English.

9th-12th Grades: *Blessed are the Bored in Spirit* by Mark Hart

7th-8th Grades **choice of:**

- *A Noble Treason: A Story of Sophie Scholl and the White Rose Revolt Against Hitler* by Richard Hanser
- *A Single Bead* by Stephanie Engelman
- *A Teen's Game Plan for Life* by Lou Holtz

Please encourage your child to read his/her assigned book by August. We sincerely appreciate your support and cooperation in this endeavor.

Sincerely,
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