

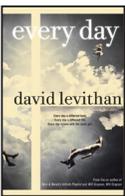
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SMOKY HILL SUMMER READING GAMES

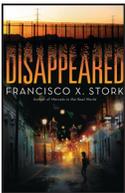
CHOICE BOOKS for 9-12: Read one or more of the student-selected titles and participate in discussions on Schoology to qualify for prizes. Schoology Enrollment Code: P5PCG-2HXJD.

To ensure the success of all its students, Smoky Hill High School believes in the importance of summer reading. Studies have shown that students who participate in summer reading programs enter the school year with a significantly lower “learning loss” from the summer gap. Additionally, high ACT scores are directly proportionate to the number of words a child reads in his/her lifetime. Enjoy the titles below and participate in discussions on Schoology to be entered for prizes. All incoming freshmen and students new to SHHS should use Access Code **P5PCG-2HXJD** to enroll in the Schoology course.

Fiction Choices



every day by David Levithan
Every morning A wakes in a different person’s body, in a different person’s life, learning over the years to never get too attached, until he wakes up in the body of Justin and falls in love with Justin’s girlfriend, Rhiannon.



Disappeared by Francisco X. Stork
Four months ago Sara Zapata’s best friend, Linda, disappeared from the streets of Juarez. Ever since then, Sara has been using her job as a reporter to draw attention to the girls who have been kidnapped by the criminals who control the city, but now she and her family are being threatened.



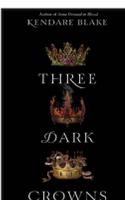
Scythe by Neal Shusterman
A world with no hunger, no disease, no war, no misery; humanity has conquered all those things and has even conquered death. Now, Scythes are the only ones who can end life in order to keep the size of the population under control. Citra and Rowan are chosen to apprentice a scythe — a role that neither wants — and must master the “art” of taking life, knowing that the consequence of failure could mean losing their own.



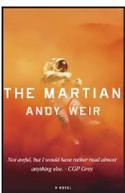
Thunderhead by Neal Shusterman
Rowan takes it upon himself to put the Scythedom through a trial by fire. Literally. A dark folk hero now—“Scythe Lucifer”— he is a vigilante taking down corrupt scythes in flames. Citra, a junior scythe under Scythe Curie, sees the corruption and wants to help change it from the inside out, but she is thwarted at every turn. (Sequel to Scythe)



No Saints in Kansas by Amy Brashear
Holcomb, KS, 1959: The town is shattered by the quadruple murder of the Clutter family. Suspicion falls on Nancy Clutter’s boyfriend, Bobby Rupp, the last one to see them alive. New Yorker Carly Fleming, new to the small Midwestern town and an outsider, dives into the murder investigation and ends up in trouble with the local authorities. (Based on a true crime)



Three Dark Crowns by Kendare Blake
In every generation on the island of Fennbirn, a set of triplets is born: three queens, all equal heirs to the crown and each possessor of a coveted magic. Each sister has to fight for the right to the crown. And it’s not just a game of win or lose...it’s life or death. The battle begins the night the sisters turn sixteen. The last queen standing gets the crown.



The Martian by Andy Weir
Astronaut Mark Watney gets left behind on Mars when his fellow crew believe him to be dead. Mark isn’t ready to give up; he draws on his ingenuity, engineering skills, and his refusal to quit as he confronts one obstacle after another. (NASA has actually approved the facts upon which this book is based.)



The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas
Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds: the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend, Khalil, at the hands of a police officer. What everyone wants to know is: what really went down that night? And the only person alive who can answer that is Starr.



The Knife of Never Letting Go by Patrick Ness
In Prentess Town, there are two odd things: there are no women, and everyone can hear everyone else’s thoughts. As Todd approaches his “manhood ceremony” and access to the secrets the adults keep, he realizes he must try to escape. But how can he when everyone can read his thoughts?

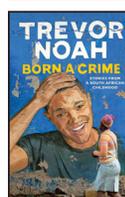
Non-Fiction Choices



Every Falling Star by Sunju Lee and Susan McClelland
One of the few individuals to escape from North Korea, Lee recounts his life as a privileged boy in Pynang-yang and his father’s fall from grace that sent his family to the poor Korean countryside during the 1990s famine. Brutal and honest, this is a fascinating look behind the veil that is North Korea.



My Friend Dahmer by Derf Backderf
Jeffrey Dahmer, “cannibal of Milwaukee,” is one of the most notorious serial killers. One of his high school classmates recounts their time as teens and considers possibilities that could have made him into a cold-blooded killer.



Born a Crime by Trevor Noah
Growing up as a bi-racial kid in South Africa during apartheid, comedian Trevor Noah’s life was technically “illegal.” With wit and humor, he tackles the horror of the system and the beauty of the human spirit.



and then you're dead: What really happens if you get swallowed by a whale, shot out of a cannon, or go barreling over niagara by Cody Cassidy
A gleefully gruesome look at the actual science behind the most outlandish, cartoonish, and impossible deaths you can imagine. Explore the real science behind fantastical scenarios, offering insights into physics, astronomy, anatomy, and more along the way.