



DATA Summer Reading Program

April 20, 2017

Dear Incoming ____ Grade Students and Parents/Guardians:

Digital Arts and Technology Academy is striving to promote excellence in the development of our students. We would especially like to do so by strengthening students' abilities in academic courses. For this reason we are continuing our summer reading program to encourage our students to remain studious over the summer, and be more prepared to enter English courses when they return to school in the fall.

Over the course of the summer all incoming students will be required to choose and read one of the books listed in the handout and complete the corresponding double entry journal assignment for their designated grade level. This novel will begin class work in the fall in each student's English/Social Studies course. We are asking that each student obtain a copy of the novel they choose to read; a hardback or paperback copy, a digital copy, an audio copy, etc. This way students can highlight, make notes, and record questions to develop critical thinking and deepen analytical skills with literature by using their own personal text.

We hope you will enjoy what you read, and we encourage parents to help their student select a book. Please use the list in the handout to help direct your decision. Only one book will be required to be read; but if students would like to read more of the listed books for their grade-level, it is highly encouraged. We also invite parents to share the joy of reading and discussing these books with your student. We look forward to hearing your thoughts on these books in August.

Sincerely,

DATA Humanities Faculty
Amy Piechota , Tara Groneman, Alix Rael, and Betty Moore

I have read the letter above and understand that there is a summer reading novel to read and an assignment to complete over the summer that will be due the first week of school. I have received a copy of the summer reading lists and the assignments, and understand that I can visit the DATA website to view the list and assignments anytime.

Student Name _____ Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____ Signature _____