

Williams Montessori High School Summer Reading List

All English students should take notes on each book they read so that they are prepared to participate in discussions and class assignments. All book notes will be collected the first day of school.

Students entering the ninth grade must read two of the books below.

- The Color Purple by Alice Walker
- The Life of Pi by Martel Yan
- I am Malala by Malala Yousafzai
- The Other Wes Moore by Wes Moore
- The Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver

Students entering the tenth grade must read two of the books below.

- Joy Luck Club by Amy Tan
- The Glass Castle by Jeannette Walls
- The Alchemist by Paul Coelho
- Snow Falling on Cedars by David Guterson
- In the Time of Butterflies by Julia Alvarez
- Breaking Night: A Memoir of Forgiveness, Survival, and My Journey from Homeless to Harvard by Liz Murray

Students entering the eleventh grade must read two of the books below.

- A Thousand Splendid Suns by Kaled Hossieninii
- Outliers: The Story of Success by Malcolm Gladwell
- The Things They Carried by Tim O'Brien
- Emma by Jane Austen
- The Heart of Darkness by Joseph Conrad
- *How to Read Literature Like A Professor by Thomas C. Foster (required additional-third-book for AP students)

Please reach out to Ms. Ali if you have any questions at alic.monroe@cms.k12.nc.us