Summer Reading List
for Students Entering Grade 9

Prior to commencing your English studies in Grade 9, you are required to read *The Absolutely True Diary of A Part-Time Indian* and one other book of your choice. All students are required to complete their reading prior to the first day of class. Upon your return to school, your teacher will give you criteria for an oral assessment and a written assessment.

We urge you to explore your interests when choosing your second novel; also, please note that we are trusting you to choose a novel you have not yet read.

In Grade 9, we will be delving into the motif of social dynamics. Keep this in mind as you read. Enjoy your reading endeavours this summer!

**MANDATORY TEXT:**
*The Absolutely True Diary of A Part-Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie

**Possible second choices that pervious Grade 9’s have explored:**

**Fiction:**
*Word Nerd* by Susin Nielsen
*The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night* by Mark Haddon
*Little Brother* by Cory Doctorow
*One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich* by Alexander Solzhenitsyn
*The Postmortal* by Drew Magary

**Non-fiction:**
*Born a Crime* by Trevor Noah
*Fourth Down and Inches: Concussions and Football’s Make-or-Break Moment* by Carla Killough McClafferty
*The Spark: A Mother’s Story of Nurturing Genius* by Kristine Barnett
*Beyond Magenta: Transgender Teens Speak Out* by Susan Kuklin