

10th Grade Summer Reading 2024-2025 Guidelines

I look forward to teaching 10th grade English this coming school year. Please be sure to read the required reading and complete the follow-up assignment (see below). Doing so will make the English class that much more interesting as there can then be active discussion of the book. Feel free to email me over the summer with any questions: mvanderpool@favikings.org.

REQUIRED SUMMER READING:

- *The River Runs Through It*
 - Recognized as a compelling 20th century tale and classic of the American West, Norman Maclean's novella *A River Runs Through It* introduces the reader to Maclean's own experiences as a young man in western Montana--a life touched by fly-fishing, the beauty of nature, brotherly love, grace, and disgrace.
 - You can purchase the book via Amazon.com: <https://a.co/d/iw74lrn>.
- Please purchase the book listed above as this will allow for a better flow of classroom discussion since all students will be on the same page--literally and figuratively.
- Feel free to purchase a used version of the Amazon book.

REQUIRED READING ASSIGNMENT:

- After reading *A River Runs Through It*, each student will create a test.
- This test should include the following:
 - 10 T/F questions about a character or event in the story.
 - 15 multiple choice questions about any aspect of the book: plot, setting, characters, conflict, and theme.
 - 15 matching questions—matching words from the story with the corresponding definition.
 - a separate key with all the correct answers.
- Format the test accordingly:
 - You may type the test and key or write out each by hand.
 - Be sure each section is clearly labeled: True/False, Multiple Choice, and Matching.
 - Include clear directions for each section such as the following:
 - Mark T for all true statements and F for all false ones.
- All students will turn in their ORIGINAL tests the first full day of school.
- All students will receive a grade for this assignment.