**Friends Academy**

**Upper School Required Summer Reading 2014**

Upper School students are required to read all the titles listed below for their grade level English and History classes. All students are encouraged to do additional reading of their own choosing as well.

**English:**

Rising 9th graders:

**The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian**, by Sherman Alexie

**True Grit**, by Charles Portis

**The Catcher in the Rye**, by J.D. Salinger

Rising 10th graders:

**The Handmaid’s Tale**, by Margaret Atwood

**1984**, by George Orwell

**The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde**, by Robert Louis Stevenson

Rising 11th graders:

**Ragtime**, by E.L. Doctorow

**The Color Purple**, by Alice Walker

**Ethan Frome**, by Edith Wharton

Rising 12th graders:

**The White Tiger: A Novel**, by Aravind Adiga

**The Round House: A Novel**, by Louise Erdrich

**One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest**, by Ken Kesey

**History:**

Rising 9th graders:

**Siddhartha**, by Hermann Hesse

Rising 10th graders:

**Kaffir Boy: An Autobiography – The True Story of a Black Youth’s Coming of Age in Apartheid South Africa**, by Mark Mathabane

Rising 11th graders (U.S. History & AP U.S. History):

**The Americanization of Benjamin Franklin**, by Gordon S. Wood

**AP History Courses and History Electives:**

Economics:

**Common Sense Economics: What Everyone Should Know About Wealth and Prosperity,** by James Gwartney, Richard Stroup and Dwight Lee

GSS: East Asian Studies:

**The New Asian Hemisphere: The Irresistible Shift of Global Power to the East**, by Kishore Mahbubani

AP Government and Politics:

**Hardball: How Politics is Played, Told by One Who Knows the Game**, by Chris Matthews

AP Human Geography:

**The Omnivore’s Dilemma: a Natural History of Four Meals**, by Michael Pollan

AP European History:

Choose at least one of the following books –

**Year of Wonders: A Novel of the Plague**, by Geraldine Brooks

**Sophie’s World: A Novel About the History of Philosophy**, by Jostein Gaarder

**The Ghost Map: The Story of London’s Most Terrifying Epidemic – And How It Changed Science, Cities, and the Modern World**, by Steven Johnson

**One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich**, by Alexander Solzhenitsyn