

Hello future AP Literature students!

My name is James Alidor and I will be your teacher next year. I am looking forward to meeting you in the fall and beginning our foray into the wonderful world of literature. Our journey starts in earnest during August, but there is one thing that you can do in order to prepare for next school year's work.

As your teachers have told you, I have chosen to not assign any specific text for you to read during the summer. This lack of a specific reading requirement, however, does not come without some expectations. Like myself, I want you to read at least **5 works of your choice** this summer. **These works can be any combination of novels (both fiction and nonfiction), plays, anthologies, or graphic novels.**



I have chosen this expectation in lieu of a teacher-selected requirement because I believe that free choice of reading material is crucial. This allows for you to bond more tightly to whatever you would like to read and, ultimately, to make your reading selections more personal and everlasting.

This also allows for you to continue to practice your reading skills and not allow them to wither away during the hot and long summer weeks. When we return, we will have a few writing assignments covering your reading choices this summer. Feel free to bring your texts to class in order to discuss your reading and its value to you.

We will be reading across all genres of literature next year, and I want you to keep your reading and analytical skills sharp for our work. Senior year is a big year, and I want us to be successful while also enjoying the nuances of the literature that you will be reading.

Happy reading and enjoy your summer!

Sincerely,

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