



8th Grade Honors English: Summer Reading 2026

Proverbs 1:5 - "Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance."

Dear 8th Grade Honors English Students, Parents, and Guardians,

One of our goals at The King's Christian School is to help students realize the benefits of reading. We believe you want to be fruitful in whatever you undertake in life. To become a more knowledgeable individual, a more empathetic listener, and a stronger writer who can impact the world for Christ, take some time this summer to practice one of the simplest, most time-proven methods for a lifetime of growth – **READ!**

This summer, all upcoming 8th grade Honors English students will read...

Book #1: *Fever 1793*, by Laurie Halse Anderson *You are required to purchase this book and bring it to school (ISBN-10: 0152051600).

a. 1 mandatory assignment written below

Book #2: Choice Text & Assignment: Your book must follow the following criteria...

- Located in the Teen/Young Adult section (or higher) of the library or bookstore.
- Can be fiction or nonfiction but must be written in the form of a narrative (story).
- Not a book you have read before.
- Minimum 180 pages.
- Approved by your parents.

***Fever 1793* Assignment Instructions:** DUE the 1st day of school

- As you read, gradually handwrite your responses to the questions on the following pages.

Choice Text Assignment Instructions: DUE the 1st day of school

- Read your book. Then, thoroughly fill out the "Choice Novel: Reading Report Form" at the end of this document. You will be having an in-person, one-on-one book talk with me in class, where I will ask you about the book.

Additional Information: If you have any questions about the summer reading assignments, please feel free to email me at smcquoid@tkcs.org



Name _____

Questions - *Fever 1793*

(This assignment is due on the first day of school).

Chapters 1-3

Write a short paragraph (4-7 sentences) explaining the setting and main characters of the story. Do we know any main conflicts so far? Are there any predictions you would make about the story so far?

Chapters 4-7

Write a short paragraph (4-7 sentences) explaining the events of this section. What explanations are offered for the spreading disease? How is it affecting everyone's life? What are Matilda's plans for her life? Are they the same as her mother's plans? Use specific details in your answers.



Name: _____

Choice Novel: Reading Report Form
(This assignment is due the first day of school)

Title: _____

Author: _____

Why did you choose this book (2-3 sentences)?

Genre: Circle any of the following words that apply to this book:

History Adventure Romance Mystery Horror Science Fiction Humor

List 3 other words that more accurately describe the book: _____

At what point in the book did you become invested or interested in the story? Be as specific as possible (2-3 sentences):

Write 1 quote from the book that represents the main theme: _____

Explain HOW this quote represents the book's theme (4-5 sentences): _____
