



# Wildcats are LIT!



**Reading** is great exercise for your brain! It allows you to travel to unexpected places, meet interesting characters, live vicariously through others' experiences, and learn new things! **Summer reading** is critical for students to retain knowledge and skills learned during the school year. Students who don't **read** are at risk of falling behind their classmates.

This summer, the CVHS English department wants you to **explore** your interests, **develop** your literacy skills, and **build** a habit of reading and writing. We encourage you to complete a variety of the following activities:

- Find out more about interesting ideas. Research online and/or visit [the public library](#).
- Watch a [documentary](#).
- [Journal](#) daily or weekly, documenting your learning, questions, travels, experiences.
- Listen to [podcasts](#).
- Establish a reading routine. Read for short bursts (10-30 min.) at least every three days.
  - Read different types of texts:  
Suggestions from friends
  - [Magazines](#)
  - [Poetry](#)
  - Opinion pieces: blog posts, editorials, op-eds
    - We encourage you to read multiple sides and voices!
  - [Novels](#)
  - Newspapers
  - [Comic books and graphic novels](#)

When you return from the summer, we will expect you to talk about and share what you read, watched, listened to, etc. We want to learn from each other!

AP Language & Composition in 11th grade will focus mostly on non-fiction, including speeches, current events, and full-length texts. AP Literature & Composition in 12th grade will focus on fiction, including poetry, short stories, and [full-length, complex novels and plays](#). If you'd like to practice these skills, we encourage you to tailor your summer activities to match!

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