

# HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER READING LIST 2023

The titles selected for this recommended summer reading list were chosen specifically for those students leaving grades 9, 10, 11, and 12. Titles included are just a sampling of the books you may enjoy reading during this summer. Many of the authors on this list have written more than one book. Check out some of these titles, too!

## ALTERNATE DIMENSIONS

<i>Dealing in Dreams</i>	Rivera, Lilliam
<i>Dreadnought</i>	Daniels, April
<i>Four Faces of the Moon</i>	Strong, Amanda
<i>Iron Widow</i>	Zhao, Xiran Jay
<i>Remote Control</i>	Okorafor, Nnedi
<i>Rust in the Root</i>	Ireland, Justina
<i>The Drowned Woods</i>	Lloyd-Jones, Emily
<i>The Electric Kingdom</i>	Arnold, David
<i>The Lost Coast</i>	Capetta, A. R.
<i>This Mortal Coil</i>	Suvada, Emily

## COMING OF AGE

<i>A Year To the Day</i>	Benway, Robin
<i>After the Shot Drops</i>	Ribay, Randy
<i>Cuban Girl's Guide to Tea and Tomorrow</i>	Namey, Laura Taylor
<i>Hani and Ishu's Guide to Fake Dating</i>	Jaigirdar, Adiba
<i>If You, Then Me</i>	Woon, Yvonne
<i>Kings of B'more</i>	Thomas, R. Eric
<i>The Words in My Hands</i>	Asphyxia
<i>This Place is Still Beautiful</i>	Tian, XiXi
<i>We Deserve Monuments</i>	Hammonds, Jas
<i>Whiteout</i>	

## FANTASTIC WORLDS

<i>A Song Below Water</i>	Morrow, Bethany
<i>An Arrow to the Moon</i>	Pan, Emily X.R.
<i>Beasts of Prey</i>	Gray, Ayana
<i>Mirror Girls</i>	McWilliams, Kelly
<i>Six Crimson Cranes</i>	Lim, Elizabeth
<i>The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea</i>	Oh, Axie
<i>The Sunbearer Trials</i>	Thomas, Aiden
<i>This Poison Heart</i>	Bayron, Kalynn

## BE YOURSELF

<i>Failing Up: How to Take Risks, Aim Higher, and Never Stop Learning</i>	Odom, Leslie
<i>Growing Up Trans: In Our Own Words</i>	ed. Lindsay Herriot
<i>Queer as All Get Out: 10 People Who've Inspired Me</i>	Criswell, Shelby
<i>Quiet Power: The Secret Strengths of Introverts</i>	Cain, Susan
<i>Rising Troublemaker: A Fear-Fighter Manual For Teens</i>	Jones, Luvvie Ajayi
<i>You are More than Magic: The Black and Brown Girls' Guide to Finding your Voice</i>	Harts, Minda
<i>You Don't Have to be Everything: Poems for Girls</i>	
<i>Becoming Themselves</i>	Whitney, Diana (ed)

## DIVERSE VOICES

<i>Ain't Burned All the Bright</i>	Reynolds, Jason
<i>Between Shades of Gray: The Graphic Novel</i>	Sepetys, Ruta
<i>Glory: Magical Visions of Black Beauty</i>	Bethencourt, Kahran
<i>Perfectly Parvin</i>	Abtahi, Olivia
<i>Somewhere Between Bitter and Sweet</i>	Kemp, Laekan Zea
<i>The Breakbeat Poets Vol. 4: LatiNext</i>	eds. Chavez, Felicia Rose, Olivarez, Jose', and Perdermo, Willie

## BLACK EYED SUSAN NOMINEES

<i>The Agathas</i>	Kathleen Glasgow & Liz Lawson
<i>All My Rage</i>	Sabaa Tahir
<i>Call Me Athena: Girl from Detroit</i>	Colby Cedar Smith
<i>Eat Your Heart Out</i>	Kelly deVos
<i>Golden Boys</i>	Phil Stamper
<i>House of Hollow</i>	Krystal Sutherland
<i>I Must Betray You</i>	Ruta Sepetys
<i>Mamo</i>	Sas Milledge
<i>Me (Moth)</i>	Amber McBride
<i>Messy Roots: a graphic memoir of a Wuhanese American</i>	Laura Gao

# INNOVATORS & NOISEMAKERS

*Bad Boys of Fashion: Style Rebels and Renegades through the Ages*  
*Changing the Equation: 50+ US Black Women in STEM*  
*Chasing the Truth: A Young Journalist's Guide to Investigative Reporting*  
*Close Up on War: The Story of Pioneering Photojournalist Catherine Leroy in Vietnam*  
*Fly Girls: How Five Daring Women Defied All Odds and Made Aviation History*  
*Hollow Fires*  
*Imaginary Borders*  
*Kneel*  
*Pauli Murray: The Life of a Pioneering Feminist and Civil Rights Activist*  
*Samurai Rising: The Epic Life of Minamoto Yoshitsune*  
*The Code Breaker: Jennifer Doudna, Gene Editing and the Future of the Human Race*  
*You Can't Say That!: Writers for Young People Talk about Censorship, Free Expression, and the Stories They Have to Tell*

Croll, Jennifer  
Bolden, Tonya  
Shamir, Ruby  
Farrell, Mary Cronk  
O'Brien, Keith  
Ahmed, Samira  
Martinez, Xiuhtezcatl  
Buford, Candace  
Stevens-Holsey, Rosita  
Turner, Pamela  
Isaacson, Walter  
  
Marcus, Leonard S.

## LOOK TO THE PAST; LEARN FOR THE FUTURE

<i>African Town</i>	Latham, Irene
<i>And We Rise</i>	Martin, Erica
<i>Man Made Monsters</i>	Rogers, Andrea
<i>Race Against Time: The Untold Story of Scipio Jones and the Battle to Save Twelve Innocent Men</i>	Wallace, Sandra
<i>Sachiko: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor's Story</i>	Stelson, Caren

## IT'S A WILD WORLD

<i>Audubon: On the Wings of the World</i>	Grolleau, Fabien
<i>Beastly Brains: Exploring How Animals Think, Talk, and Feel</i>	Castaldo, Nancy
<i>Bones Unearthed!</i>	Hollihan, Kerrie Logan
<i>Queer Ducks (and Other Animals)</i>	Schrefer, Eliot
<i>The Whydah: A Pirate Ship Feared, Wrecked, and Found</i>	Sandler, Martin
<i>Weird Science. Food</i>	Loh-Hagan, Virginia

## MYSTERY

<i>Murder Among Friends: How Leopold and Loeb Tried to Commit the Perfect Crime</i>	Fleming, Candace
<i>Nothing More to Tell</i>	McManus, Karen
<i>The Honeys</i>	La Sala, Ryan
<i>The Lies We Tell</i>	Zhao, Katie

## MAKERS GONNA MAKE

<i>Become an App Inventor: the Official Guide from MIT App Inventor</i>	Lang, Karen
<i>Courageous Creativity: Advice and Encouragement for the Creative Life</i>	Zarr, Sara
<i>Girl Code: Gaming, Going Viral, and Getting it Done</i>	Gonzales, Andrea
<i>The Complete Cookbook for Teen Chefs: 70+ Teen-Tested and Teen-Approved Recipes to Cook, Eat, and Share</i>	America's Test Kitchen
<i>The Maker's Guide to the Zombie Apocalypse: Defend Your Base with Simple Circuits, Arduino, and Raspberry Pi</i>	Monk, Simon
<i>The Power of Style: How Fashion and Beauty are Being Used Used to Reclaim Cultures</i>	Allaire, Christian