

KCHS Summer Reading 2025



“Reading changes your life. Reading unlocks worlds unknown or forgotten, taking travelers around the world and through time. Reading helps you escape the confines of school and pursue your own education.”
– Donalyn Miller

The Knoxville Catholic High School English department believes in the transformative power of reading. Not only does reading increase comprehension, enhance vocabulary, and develop critical thinking skills, it fosters a greater understanding of the human condition and provides an opportunity for contemplation and self-discovery. In addition to these benefits, summer reading is intended to encourage personal growth and inspire a love for reading and learning. Reading selections provide a springboard to discussion and writing as the school year begins. Thus, all students are expected to have read their grade-level books and choice reads by the first day of classes. Active annotating is encouraged.

Our reading requirement for the summer of 2025 are as follows:

English I: *The Hiding Place* by Corrie ten Boom and one book of choice

English II: *The Body in the Library* by Agatha Christie and two books of choice

English III: *Chasing Lincoln’s Killer* by James Swanson and two books of choice

English IV: *The Road* by Cormac McCarthy and two books of choice

AP English courses have separate reading and summer work requirements. These are posted on the Student Resources page, on Schoology, under Academic Resources.

Happy Reading!