

June 5, 2009

To new LTS students and parents:

At Long Trail, we value reading and expressing opinions about that reading. We look forward to hearing your thoughts about your summer reading. The LTS Summer Reading Program booklists are to be kept and consulted **over the next three years**. Good writing practices on your submissions are expected. Books must be chosen from the appropriate lists – sorry, no exceptions.

The first due date of July 8, 2009 for grades 6-10 reflects a recognition that students may need a little break at the school year's end before starting up again. August 1, 2009 is the due date for grades 6-12. The book review format for grades 6-10 and question sheets for grades 6-8, 9-10 and 11-12 are in the front of the Summer Reading List. These forms are available on the LTS website as well. Feel free to contact English Department Chair Kim Rizio or Academic Dean Sean Sonderman with questions.

Your summer reading will count as 1/6th of your first semester English grade.

GRADES 6-10

Book review due July 8 – your choice from the booklet list.

Question sheet due August 1 – your choice from the booklet list.

Reading check quiz on REQUIRED Book #3 upon return to school for grades 6-9.

After the quiz, grades 6-9 will work on a final essay.

Grade 10 required grade level book ESSAY test will be announced upon return to school.

**Gr. 6---Counting on Grace, Elizabeth Winthrop
Mildred Taylor**

Gr. 7---Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry,

Gr. 8---Lord of the Flies, William Golding

Gr. 9---A Separate Peace, John Knowles

Gr. 10---The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, Mark Twain

GRADES 11-12

Comparison question sheet due August 1

Choose and read two books from your booklet list; AP students should meet increased analytic and mechanical expectations.

Required grade level book ESSAY test will be announced upon return to school.

Gr. 11/12 – AP students---The Cider House Rules, John Irving

CP students---Siddhartha, Hermann Hesse

Submit book reviews and question sheets as follows:

- **Mail to:**
Kim Rizio
Long Trail School
1045 Kirby Hollow Rd
Dorset VT 05251
- **Or drop off in Student Life Office in "Summer Reading" box**
- **Or fax to 802-867-0147**
- **Or email to krizio@longtrailschool.org**

Happy reading!

*ESL students will receive summer reading requirements from Scott Magrath, LTStudies Coordinator.

**Reading List copies can also be consulted at Arlington, Bennington, Dorset, Manchester and Pawlet libraries and the Northshire Bookstore.