

Dear Parents,

As we plan for next year, the FJH English Department would like to remind you of the ongoing summer reading program for all 7th grade English classes. Students will be tested on the summer reading titles the first week of school and will be expected to connect summer reading with other works read during the year.

If at all possible, we encourage you to purchase these books so that students can annotate them to help find significant passages. These passages might question, agree or disagree, pertain to the student's life, suggest symbolic overtones or just seem to be a beautiful piece of language. We believe that these annotations will help students track more difficult literature.

The following titles are REQUIRED reading for all incoming 7th grade students:

Regular: *Dark Water Rising* by Marian Hale

Pre-AP/GT: *Tangerine* by Edward Bloor
Dark Water Rising by Marian Hale

Both books will be available at the Friendswood Public Library and area bookstores.

Thank you for encouraging your student to read. It is the key to success.

Sincerely,

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