

Lower High School Summer Reading 2023

Hello, Dragons,

I hope your summer is off to a great start! If you are an incoming freshman (9th graders) or a new student, let me be the first to welcome you to our high school! This year you will be taking American Literature for your LHS English class and US History for your LHS Social Studies class. We will be intensely examining what the US identity looks like, and how that identity has changed over time, and explore and analyze our own ideas of what it means to be an “American.”

The first book that you are reading this summer is a memoir. A memoir is a narrative that comes from the perspective of an author about an important time in their lives. It is similar to an autobiography, which spans a person’s entire life. Select one of the following memoirs from the list below.

Memoirs

1. *El Deafo* by Cece Bell
2. *Nickel and Dimed* by Barbara Ehrenreich
3. *Tomboy* by Lisa Selin Davis

The second book you are reading is a book of **personal choice**. This book must be written by a US author and must be at least 200 pages long. We will be discussing these books at length by when you return in August, so I suggest getting a head start on them now! If you have any questions, you can email me at zdevoll@welshhills.org. I hope you have a great summer of reading!

Regards,
Zack Devoll