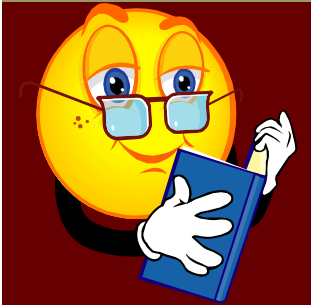


Read, read read.

~William Faulkner



VERNON SCHOOL DISTRICT

From the English Department



VERNON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

English College Prep Summer Reading 2009

As Joseph Addison states, "Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body." To better prepare you for your study of English throughout the year, all English 9 CP, 10 CP, 11 CP and 12 CP students are required to complete summer reading.

All four texts are coming-of-age stories that are readable and intriguing. The English Department is certain that your summer reading will help you to lay a solid foundation for your study of English in the upcoming school year.

Please read your story carefully, as you will be required to complete an objective assessment as well as an essay in the opening days of school. Moreover, it is important that you return the book in the same condition that it was in when it was issued to you.

All in all, I am confident that the reading of this book will be a most positive experience for you. On behalf of the entire English Department, have a great summer; happy reading!

Kyle C. Arlington
Academic Chair
English Dept.

- **Ninth Grade CP** *The House on Mango Street*
By Sandra Cisneros 
- **Tenth Grade CP** *The Secret Life of Bees*
By Sue Monk Kidd 
- **Eleventh Grade CP** *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime*
By Mark Haddon 
- **Twelfth Grade CP** *Into the Wild*
By Jon Krakauer 

Did you know.....

Prior to adopting Mark Twain as his pen name, Samuel Clemens wrote under the pseudonym, Thomas Jefferson Snodgrass.

For additional summer reading visit a book store or library!

ENJOY!