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ST. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL

on the Frank J. Bommarito Campus

Freshman Summer Reading 2018

Enjoy the book(s) and have a great summer!

Summer reading is REQUIRED for all students at St. Mary's High School.

Fahrenheit 451: A Novel (Fiction) by Ray Bradbury

Book Description:

Guy Montag is a fireman. In his world, where television rules and literature is on the brink of extinction, firemen start fires rather than put them out. His job is to destroy the most illegal of commodities, the printed book, along with the houses in which they are hidden. Montag never questions the destruction and ruin his actions produce, returning each day to his bland life and wife, Mildred, who spends all day with her television "family." But then he meets an eccentric young neighbor, Clarisse, who introduces him to a past where people didn't live in fear and to a present where one sees the world through the ideas in books instead of the mindless chatter of television. When Mildred attempts suicide and Clarisse suddenly disappears, Montag begins to question everything he has ever known. He starts hiding books in his home, and when his pilfering is discovered, the fireman has to run for his life.

After reading the book, all students will be given a plot test during the first full week of school. The test will be given in English and will be the first grade of the 2018-2019 school year. . Students are encouraged to take notes while reading the book. These notes may be used by the student when he takes the test. All notes must be handwritten. **Typed notes of any kind will NOT be allowed to be used on the test.**

All students in English I Honors will have additional summer reading. The summer reading choice is listed below.

*Completion of the Bridge Program Summer Reading Course will fulfill the summer reading requirement for *Fahrenheit 451* only. Students enrolled in English Honors will still need to read the additional book below.

Friday Night Lights: A Town, a Team, and a Dream by: H.G. Bissinger

An additional assessment will be given over this book for the students in English I Honors. Students are encouraged to take notes while reading the book.

