



READING LIST GUIDELINES

Clonlara requires that your Reading List include the title, author and specific comments about at least 16 books or written works that you have read during your high school years, including at four (4) different fiction genres and four (4) different non-fiction genres, as listed in the table below.

After you have commented on your first 16 books, you may list only the title and author of subsequent works. It is not necessary to complete all of your reading in the same year of high school. You may include books you read for coursework and/or personal pleasure. You may also include a selection of audio-books, graphic novels and books read aloud to you.

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TYPE	POSSIBLE GENRE SELECTIONS: CHOOSE AT LEAST FOUR (4)	INFORMATION TO INCLUDE ON YOUR READING LIST
Fiction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classical Literature • Contemporary Literature • Drama or Screenplay • Poetry • Fantasy • Science Fiction • Historical Fiction • Mystery • Other 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title (for all books and written works) • Author (for all books and written works) • A concise summary of the work’s content (for the first 16 books and written works) • Your personal comments (for the first 16 books and written works), including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ your opinion of the work, or of specific aspects of the work ○ identify where you find the work exemplary or deficient in its knowledge, judgments, or organization
Non-Fiction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History • Biography • Autobiography • Technical • Poetry • Documentary • Screenplay • Journalism • Other 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title (for all books and written works) • Author (for all books and written works) • A concise summary of the work’s content (for the first 16 books and written works) • Your personal comments (for the first 16 books and written works), including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ your opinion of the work, or of specific aspects of the work ○ identify where you find the work exemplary or deficient in its knowledge, judgments, or organization

Record your selections and comments on the *Reading List* form online in the Commons or on paper using the “Forms” section of your Secondary Guide. To access the online log after logging in, click “Academic”, then “School Forms”, then “Reading List” from the menu on the left of the screen.

If you have questions or concerns about the guidelines, please contact your Advisor. It is beneficial to think carefully about what you have read and/or done in the past years of high school, because you may be surprised to discover that you have already met these requirements in a class or on your own.

What Books Should You Read?

You know yourself best. Ultimately, only you and your family can determine which books are appropriate to read, taking a variety of important factors into consideration. These factors include your **particular interests, independent reading ability, and maturity**.

To assist in your selection, Clonlara offers a list called *Reading Suggestions*. This can be found on page 161 of the current Secondary Education Guide.

You do not need to limit your reading selections to the titles from this (or any other) single resource. Many lists, including collections of award-winning titles (Newbery, Caldecott, California Young Reader Medal, Coretta Scott King, etc.), can be found through local libraries and the Internet.

The complete Reading List you submit at graduation should be a reflection of your interests, passions, and reading tastes.