



Lexington School District One (LSDO)

2024 Summer Reading for High School Students

Summer reading offers students an opportunity to enjoy quality literature while growing their independent reading skills. By offering choice, we hope students will find ‘books they won’t be able to put down’ so they can authentically engage in summer reading and ultimately ‘fall in love’ with reading so they are better prepared to engage in academic reading.

This summer, every LSDO high school student should self-select and read *at least* one book. As a starting point, students might consider choosing one of the 2024-2025 South Carolina Young Adult Book Award (YABA) nominees, however, choosing from this list is not required.

**Notice for Parents/Guardians: Young Adult titles often cover mature subject matter and may include strong language. Parents/guardians should review the chosen title to determine if the book seems appropriate for their student reader.

2024-2025 South Carolina Young Adult Book Award (YABA) Nominees	
<i>Abuela, Don't Forget Me</i> Rex Ogle	<i>The Ivory Key</i> Akshaya Raman
<i>Ain't Burned All the Bright</i> Jason Reynolds	<i>Lawless Spaces</i> Corey Ann Haydu
<i>All My Rage</i> Sabaa Tahir	<i>The Lesbiana's Guide to Catholic School</i> Sonora Reyes
<i>Belladonna</i> Adalyn Grace	<i>The Life and Crimes of Hoodie Rosen</i> Isaac Blum
<i>Daughters of a Dead Empire</i> Carolyn Tara O'Neil	<i>Overground Railroad: The Green Book and the Roots of Black Travel in America</i> Candacy Taylor
<i>Dead Flip</i> Sara Farizan	<i>Rust in the Root</i> Justina Ireland
<i>The Do-Over</i> Lynn Painter	<i>Spells for Lost Things</i> Jenna Evans Welch
<i>The Drowned Woods</i> Emily Lloyd-Jones	<i>Star Child: A Biographical Constellation of Octavia Estelle Butler</i> Ibi Zoboi
<i>The Getaway</i> Lamar Giles	<i>Victory, Stand! Raising My Fist for Justice</i> Tommie Smith
<i>I Must Betray You</i> Ruta Sepetys	<i>Wrecked</i> Heather Henson

Use the links below for more information on specific titles:

[Amazon Book Reviews](https://amzn.to/3ynduv8) (https://amzn.to/3ynduv8)

[Common Sense Media](https://bit.ly/3wf5Qky) (https://bit.ly/3wf5Qky)

When students return to school in August, teachers will use students' summer reading experiences to begin building a community of readers who share and talk about books. Schools may also choose to celebrate summer reading in other ways.

