## **Grade 12 Summer Reading 2019: INDIVIDUAL vs SOCIETY**

Part of the human condition is the evolution of the individual as he or she is influenced by the society in which they develop. At times the individual must challenge the expectations and standards, speak out for injustice, and be willing to sacrifice him/herself for their beliefs.

## **GUIDING QUESTIONS:**

How do these novels illustrate and reflect the conflict between the individual and society as s/he struggles for autonomy in an oppressively authoritarian environment.

What are the implications for our world and for us as individuals as we face the challenges of the 21st century?

## **GUIDING QUESTIONS:**

How does your choice book selection(s) help you to think about the themes in your required books?

You will be responsible for including and bringing in thematic connections between all the texts you read.

Grade 12 Required Texts: ClassicsPaired with Choice Book(s)	Fiction	Nonfiction
Required Reading for all Rising 12th Grade Students:  1. Lord of the Flies by William Golding 2. Brave New World by Aldous Huxley 3. Select one additional text from the Fiction or the NonFiction list.  Assignment: Please read the following Socratic Seminar instructions carefully to prepare for the beginning of school.  Socratic Seminar Instructions	<ol> <li>If Beale Street Could Talk, James Baldwin</li> <li>Go Tell It on the Mountain, James Baldwin</li> <li>Native Son, Richard Wright</li> <li>Edgar Sawtell, David Wrobleski</li> <li>The Handmaid's Tale, Margaret Atwood</li> <li>In the Time of the Butterflies, Julia Alvarez</li> <li>The Bride Price, Buchi Emecheta</li> <li>The Road, Cormac McCarthy</li> <li>The Jungle, Upton Sinclair</li> <li>Anthem, Ayn Rand</li> <li>The Dew Breakers, Edwidge Dandicat</li> <li>One Flew Over the Cuckoos's Nest, Ken Kesey</li> <li>Player Piano, Kurt Vonnegut</li> <li>The Gift of Rain, Tan Twan Eng</li> <li>Ready Player One, Ernest Cline</li> <li>Fahrenheit 451, Ray Bradbury</li> <li>Siddhartha, Hermann Hesse</li> <li>Crime and Punishment, Fyodor Dostoevsky</li> <li>The Idiot. Fyodor Dostoevsky</li> <li>Down River, John Hart</li> <li>Paradise of the Blind, Duong Thu Huong</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Becoming, Michelle Obama</li> <li>Dreams of My Father, Barack Obama</li> <li>Man Alive: A True Story of Violence, Forgiveness and Becoming a Man, Thomas Page McBee</li> <li>Mexican Whiteboy, Matt de la Pena</li> <li>The Wall: Growing Up Behind the Iron Curtain, Peter Sis</li> <li>The Color of Water: A Black Man's Tribute to His White Mother, James McBride</li> <li>Between the World and Me, Ta-Nehisi Coates</li> <li>Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood, Trevor Noah</li> <li>The Woman Warrior: Memoirs of a Girlhood Among Ghosts, Maxine Hong Kingston</li> <li>Americanized: Rebel Without a Green Card, Sara Saedi</li> <li>The Short and Tragic Life of Robert Peace: A Brilliant Young Man Who Left Newark for the Ivy League, Jeff Hobbs</li> <li>Manchild in the Promised Land, Claude Brown</li> <li>The Distance Between Us: A Memoir Reyna Grande</li> </ol>