



# Summer Reading 2019

## Pre-AP English II

In preparation for Pre-AP English II in the coming school year, you will be reading your choice of **one of the following novels this summer**. We will be discussing, analyzing, and writing about these works in the first few weeks of the semester, so it is imperative that you read thoroughly and completely. We encourage you to make any relevant notes in your book and to be finished by the first day of school.

***To Kill a Mockingbird*** by Harper Lee

In this American classic, when her father takes on an impossible court case inflamed with racial tensions, Scout Finch learns about the best and worst of human nature in her small Alabama town.

***I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter*** by Erika L. Sánchez

After a tragic accident, Julia finds that she must keep her family together and live up to their impossible expectations, all while uncovering secrets that will change everything she ever thought she knew.

***The Chosen*** by Chaim Potok

Set in Brooklyn during World War II, Reuven and Danny form an unlikely friendship over baseball, the pursuit of truth, and disappointing their fathers' expectations for their futures.

### Consider the following when reading your book:

- What images, scenes, characters, settings, and conflicts are especially significant in the work?
- What is the author's point or message behind those significant moments?
- How does the work depict the joy, confusion, and struggle of growing up?
- How does the main character change throughout the work, and what causes those changes?
- How is the work significant in regard to the time and place in which it was published?

We look forward to meeting you in August. Have a wonderful summer!

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