

SAINT MARY'S SCHOOL

2018 Summer Reading

Summer is a great time to explore interests, both personal and undiscovered, through reading. A love of reading can be nurtured through the traditional format of a bound book and through multimedia experiences that match today's demand for new media literacy.

The two selections for 2018-2019 are separated by incoming 9th grade students and rising 10th through 12th grade students*. By grade level, all students will discuss their reading experience as part of their seminar coursework.

Rising 9th grade students: *CliftonStrengths for Students*

“As a student, you have the opportunity every day to search for patterns in your actions, learn from them and use them to make the most of your life experiences, now and in the future. To do that, you need a solid understanding of where and when you're at your best: your strengths. *CliftonStrengths for Students* will help you discover and develop your strengths — and reach your full potential. This book includes an access code to take the CliftonStrengths assessment. After you take the assessment, you'll get a list of your top five themes of talent, which are the themes you lead with. Once you know what your leading themes are, you can begin to turn them into strengths.”

Shop local: this book is available online and at Raleigh's independent bookseller, [Quail Ridge Books](#).

Rising 10th-12th grade students: *Summer Reading Bingo!*

Rising 10th through 12th grade students* will play Saint Mary's Summer Reading Bingo! Reflecting Saint Mary's commitment to preparing young women for college and life and integrating the development of our [10 key competencies](#), this fun summer reading experience is designed to deliver on what we know young women need: voice, choice, relevancy, and opportunities to make personal connections.

Students “win” the game of Summer Reading Bingo by fulfilling five consecutive squares, vertically *or* diagonally (not horizontally to ensure a mix of content). Web-based, Saint Mary's Summer Reading Bingo is easily accessible by computer or smartphone, with links to podcasts, videos, short articles, and more! Click on the appropriate grade-level link below to access your game of Summer Reading Bingo!

[10th Grade Bingo](#) | [11th Grade Bingo](#) | [12th Grade Bingo](#)

Students are encouraged to use the following prompts to guide and extend their summer reading experience as they review the material in each Bingo square:

- I agree...
- I wonder...
- I never knew...
- I'm not so sure...

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**Students enrolled in AP classes should expect required readings in addition to the Saint Mary's Summer Reading.*