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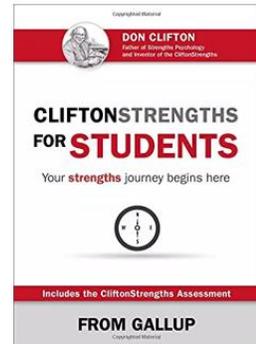
2019 Summer Reading

Summer is a great time to explore interests, both personal and undiscovered, through reading. The selections for 2019-2020 are separated by incoming 9th grade students and rising 10th through 12th grade students*.

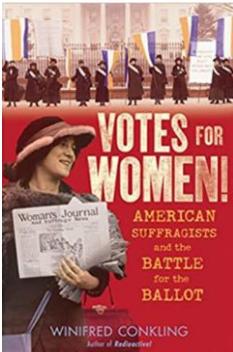
REQUIRED READING: Rising 9th grade students will take the CliftonStrengths assessment to help them learn which strengths they already possess and how to leverage those strengths into success in high school.

CliftonStrengths for Students from Gallup

“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.”



REQUIRED READING: Rising 10th-12th grade students are required to read one of the following selections (and encouraged to read both), which will prepare them for our school-wide, year-long commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment. Rising 9th graders are also invited to enjoy these books, if they wish.



Votes for Women!: American Suffragists and the Battle for the Ballot by Winifred Conkling

This book is a great introduction to the suffrage movement with compelling stories of the women’s lives.

“From Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, who founded the suffrage movement at the 1848 Seneca Falls Convention, to Sojourner Truth and her famous “Ain’t I a Woman?” speech, to Alice Paul, arrested and force-fed in prison, this is the story of the American women’s suffrage movement and the private lives that fueled its leaders’ dedication. *Votes for Women!* explores suffragists’ often powerful, sometimes difficult relationship with the intersecting temperance and abolition campaigns, and includes an unflinching look at some of the uglier moments in women’s fight for the vote.”

The Woman's Hour: The Great Fight to Win the Vote by Elaine Weiss

This selection offers a more in-depth look at the events surrounding the 1920 special meeting of the Tennessee legislature to vote on the ratification of the 19th Amendment.

“Following a handful of remarkable women who led their respective forces into battle, along with appearances by Woodrow Wilson, Warren Harding, Frederick Douglass, and Eleanor Roosevelt, *The Woman's Hour* is an inspiring story of activists winning their own freedom in one of the last campaigns forged in the shadow of the Civil War, and the beginning of the great twentieth-century battles for civil rights.”



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