

Pattonville High School
Recommended Reading List
For Summer 2006

Teen Issues

Girls in Pants (Dessen)- Summer before college.

Tangerine (Bloor)- Sports appeal. Powerful family dynamics.

Absolutely, positively Not (LaRochelle)- Teen identity. Very Funny.

The Isabelle Factor (Friesen)- High school relationships. Making good choices.

Crackback (Coy)- Football pressures. Family dynamics.

Margaux with an X (Koertge)- Abuse, dysfunctional family and unlikely connections.

Wrecked (Frank)- Post traumatic stress disorder, healing and family.

Learning the Game (Waltman)- Basketball and right vs. wrong.

24 Girls in 7 Days (Bradley)- Written from a guys point of view, high school relationships.

Inexcusable (Lynch)- Date rape, taking responsibility for your actions.

So Hard to Say (Sanchez)- Teen identity

Played (Davidson)- Teen romance and unlikely connections.

Love Sick (Coburn)- Teen Relationships and eating disorders.

Dear Zoe (Beard)- Grieving and family support.

Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie (Lubar)- Funny, teen identity and relationships.

Crunch Time (Fredricks)- SAT stress, cheating and friendships.

My Sister's Keeper (Picoult)- The struggle with Leukemia, family dynamics and independence. Powerful.

Letting Go of Bobby James and How I Found My Self of Steam (Hobbs)- Making it on your own, independence and an abusive relationship.

Criss Cross (Perkins)- Individuality and teen friendship.

Honey, Baby, Sweetheart (Caletti)- Family and teen relationships and making the right choice.

Sports Biographies

Remembering Jack Buck (Wolfe)- "Wonderful Stories Celebrating the Life of a Broadcasting Legend."

Jocks and Socks (Ksicinski and Flaherty)- "Inside Stories From a Major- League Locker Room"

P3 Pipes, PArks and Powder (Richards)- "A World Champion Snowboarder"

Soul Surfer (Hamilton)- "The amazing story of the thirteen year old surfer girl who lost her arm in a shark attack but never lost her faith- and of her triumphant return to competitive surfing."

Venus & Serena Serving From the Hip (Williams & Williams)- "10 Rules for Living, Loving and Winning."

Historical Fiction

The Secret Life of Bees (Kidd)- Black rights issues, teen identity and special connections.

Memoirs of a Geisha (Golden)- Japanese culture, tradition and relationships.

New Boy (Houston)- Segregation and education in the 1950's.

Science Fiction/ Fantasy

Peeps (Westerfeld)- Vampire like, parasites and infection. Creepy.

Twilight (Meyer)- Not your typical romance. Excellent!

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (Rowling)- Harry and Company.

Biography/ Memoir

Please Stop Laughing at Me (Littke)- Growing with bullying. Powerful.

The Tender Bar (Moeringer)- In search of positive male role models.

Suspense/ Mystery

Fake ID (Sorrells)- On the run, finding your true identity and musical talent.

Haunted Sister (Littke)- Spooky twin story.

Amy (Hooper)- Internet chatroom creep.

Code Orange (Cooney)- Infectious disease/ terrorism scare haunts a high school junior