One School, One Theme
For this summer’s reading, each student will read a book or books that discusses how people from diverse backgrounds (racially, socioeconomically, religiously, ableism, etc) achieve their dreams. The dream was realized and fulfilled throughout a variety of ways, however not being part of the dominant culture made this dream a more difficult to achieve.

Questions to Consider
1) Challenges the non-dominant culture group faced.
2) Even if part of the non-dominant culture did the character experience any privilege (i.e. the privilege of access to food, healthcare, etc.)
3) How did your character persevere through their struggles (either internally or from the dominant culture) to achieve their dreams?
4) How their perseverance contributed to the meaning of the work as a whole (i.e. How would the novel been different if this did not take place?).

While Reading Over the Summer
You MUST ANNOTATE the book(s) in whatever format you choose. To get started, you should check out the SHHS library website for suggestions on how to annotate. **Your annotations, in whatever format you choose, will be collected on the first day of class.**

Upon Returning to School
- Your annotations will be collected on the first day of class.
- You will write an in-class essay based on a prompt given to you by your teacher. You will be able to use your annotations.

Ms. Cole’s CP Class Book Recommendations (You may choose your own as long as it fits the prompt)
(Note: All of these books are written for high school students and may contain mature content.)

- The Underground Railroad (Colson Whitehead)
- Where’d You Go, Bernadette (Maria Semple)
- White Oleander (Janet Fitch)
- The Round House (Louise Erdrich)
- The Tzar of Love and Techno (Anthony Marra)
- Long Man (Amy Greene)
- The Ice Cream Queen of Orchard Street (Susan Jane Gilman)
- The Little Prince (Antoine De Saint-Exupery)
- The Poured Fire on Us from the Sky (Benson Deng)
- Family Matters (Robinson Mistry)
- Sister of My Heart (Banerjee Divakaruni)
- Desirable Daughters (Bharati Mukherjee)
- A Breath of Fresh Air (Amulya Malladi)
- Speak (Laurie Halse Anderson)
- Seabiscuit (Laura Hillenbrand)
- 42 Faith: The Rest of the Jackie Robinson Story (Ed Henry)
- The World’s Fastest Man: The Extraordinary Life of Cyclist Major Taylor (Michael Kranish)