

Honors Modern Literature Parent Permission Form

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In order to encounter a broad view of modern writing, we will be reading a representation of various genres in contemporary fiction, non-fiction, poetry, and film. Some of these works will be read by the entire class, while others will be chosen by the student for independent reading. The books are approved based on their appropriateness to the course as they address pertinent issues in contemporary literature; **however, some of the works will contain adult themes and content** that require parental permission for the students to read for class. Below you can see a list of the types of works we will be reading and/or viewing. We will rarely watch a movie in its entirety, but we will likely view clips from several of the films listed. Also, while some of the novels have been selected, the reading list is subject to change based on the direction of the class discussions, the discovery of new and relevant novels, and somewhat on the students' preference. As we progress through the semester, I will post our upcoming readings on the website. Please complete the form below to authorize your child to read the novels and view the films/film clips for this class.

My child, _____, has permission to read all of the novels and view films/film clips assigned in Honors Modern Literature.

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Novels

The Kite Runner (Hosseini)
The Help (Stockett)
Life of Pi (Martel)
The Book Thief (Zusak)
Ender's Game (Card)
11/22/63 (King)
The Alchemist (Coelho)
The Perks of Being a Wallflower (Chbosky)
Three (Dekker)
The Lovely Bones (Sebold)
The Time Traveler's Wife (Niffenegger)
The Handmaid's Tale (Atwood)
The Secret Life of Bees (Kidd)
My Sister's Keeper (Picoult)
Poisonwood Bible (Kingsolver)
Peace Like a River (Enger)

Graphic Novels

Maus
V for Vendetta

Films

The Help
Life of Pi
The Matrix
V for Vendetta
The Pianist

Drama

Wit: A Play (Edson)

Other Writers

Dave Barry
Billy Collins
Brian Doyle
John Green
David Sedaris
David Foster Wallace

Non-Fiction

A Short History of Nearly Everything (Bryson)
The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks (Skloot)