

READING & RHETORIC

JUNE 11 – AUGUST 1, 2025

This class offers motivated 9th and 10th-grade students an opportunity to **strengthen their critical thinking, reading, and writing abilities** while enhancing essential academic skills. Through this course, students will engage with challenging texts from diverse genres and build interdisciplinary literacy by exploring various topics within the humanities. Additionally, they will work on **reading and writing test-style passages relevant to the official PSAT and SAT**. *Please note that this course does NOT include weekly tests or math practice.*

Interactive small-group classes include:

- Discussion-based learning
- Individual and collaborative exercises
- Analytical reading passages
- All books and packets included with enrollment

SESSION DATES

Session 1: June 11 – July 3
(instead of July 4th)

Session 2: July 9 – August 1

SCHEDULE

In-Person
Wed. & Fri
11:30 am – 1:30 pm

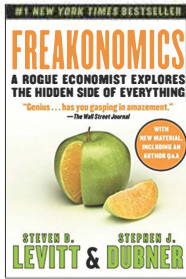
4-week session tuition: **\$650**

Both sessions: **\$1,200**

✧ No instruction on Friday, July 4th. ✧

Class offerings are subject to change based on enrollment levels.

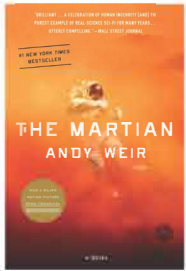
SESSION 1: JUNE 11 – JULY 3



FREAKONOMICS: A ROGUE ECONOMIST EXPLORES THE HIDDEN SIDE OF EVERYTHING

by **Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner**

Freakonomics is an engaging and thought-provoking book that explores how economics can explain everyday behaviors and unexpected patterns in society. Rather than focusing on traditional economics like supply and demand, the authors use real-world data to tackle unusual and surprising questions. Written in an easy-to-understand and often humorous style, *Freakonomics* encourages readers to question conventional wisdom and think critically about the world around them. It's not just about economics—it's about uncovering the hidden side of everything.

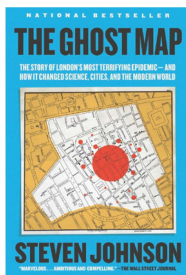


THE MARTIAN

by **Andy Weir**

The Martian is a gripping science fiction novel that tells the story of astronaut Mark Watney, who is stranded alone on Mars after a mission goes wrong. Presumed dead by his crew, Watney must rely on his resourcefulness, scientific knowledge, and sense of humor to survive. Using limited supplies, he grows food, repairs equipment, and communicates with NASA, which works tirelessly to bring him home. The novel highlights themes of perseverance, teamwork, and the power of human ingenuity, making it an inspiring tale of survival against overwhelming odds.

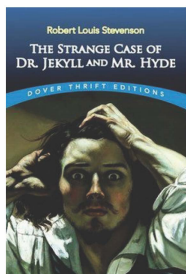
SESSION 2: JULY 9 – AUGUST 1



THE GHOST MAP

by **Steven Johnson**

The Ghost Map tells the gripping true story of a deadly cholera outbreak in 1854 London and how it led to a major breakthrough in public health. The book focuses on Dr. John Snow, a pioneering physician, and Reverend Henry Whitehead, a local clergyman, as they work together to solve the mystery of how the disease spreads. Through careful observation, data mapping, and persistence, they discover that contaminated water, not "bad air," is the source of the outbreak. Their findings challenge long-held beliefs, revolutionize sanitation practices, and save countless lives.



DR. JEKYLL AND MR. HYDE

by **Robert Louis Stevenson**

Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde is a gripping novella that explores the duality of human nature. The story is set in 19th-century London and follows the life of Dr. Henry Jekyll, a respected scientist who creates a potion to separate his good and evil sides. By drinking the potion, he transforms into the sinister and violent Mr. Edward Hyde, allowing him to indulge his darkest desires without consequences to his reputation. This classic tale is both a psychological thriller and a moral fable, offering a timeless exploration of the conflict between good and evil within us all.

● Session 1

● Session 2

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Additional discounts available to concurrently enrolled siblings, and students of military, firefighters and police officers.
No pro-rates will be given for this program. No refunds after first day of class.