

Dear Parents:

This year the DeBakey Summer Reading List will include books for social studies. We believe that these books will enhance the social studies curriculum and increase student readiness for the beginning of the year. Students will be required to read the books before the start of the 2009-2010 school year and will be tested within the first two weeks of class. Students are encouraged to keep a log and a summary of their reading in order to be able to discuss the books and be successful on the tests.

Freshmen: The Book Thief – Mark Zusak

Sophomores:Gunnar's Daughter – Sigrid Undset

Juniors: Founding Brothers: The Revolutionary Generation –
Joseph Ellis

Seniors: Homage to Catalonia – George Orwell

The books will be available for purchase during the DeBakey Spring Book Fair May 26th and 27th, but these books are also available in book stores and the public library.

Please return this portion signed as an indication that you have received and read the 2009-2010 summer reading list and requirements. Your student should return this signed portion no later than May 15, 2009. Thank You.

(PRINT student name)

(student signature)

(parent signature)

(date)