



2009 - 2010 SLi “Pre-Approved” Reading List & Book Review Instructions

NOTE: An SLi student *must* read at least one book and write a review of that book to be able to move from Level II to Level III. The selections on this list are “pre-approved,” but a student may also fill out a form requesting that another book be approved. The primary emphasis of these books is to encourage critical thinking on various issues as well as to encourage young people to prepare themselves to make a difference in the world for Christ. Please read a selection critically and wrestle with the issues and themes presented.

Once you have read the book, please submit a book review to the SLi mailbox at the Upper School Reception desk. It must be typed on a separate sheet, be between a ½ page and a full page and be single-spaced with a maximum font size of 12. Please include the following information and responses to the inquiries below:

- Your name**
- Title of Book**
- Author of Book**
- Number of Pages**
- Responses to the following inquiries:**
 1. What is the essential point of the author? What primary point(s) is the author looking for you as the reader to walk away with from this book?
 2. What are the 2-3 primary arguments which the author uses to justify or defend this primary point?
 3. What 2-3 things can you personally take away to apply to your own walk? How has this book challenged your thinking or changed your perspective on an issue?

SLi “Pre-Approved” Reading List:

General Leadership Category

Transforming Leadership: Jesus’ Way of Creating Vision, Shaping Values and Empowering Change

Leighton Ford, 293 pages

Fired Up or Burned Out: How to Reignite Your Team’s Passion, Creativity, and Productivity

Michael Lee Stallard, 222 pages

Spurgeon on Leadership: Key Insights for Christian Leaders from the Prince of Preachers

Larry J. Michael, 218 pages

Kingdom Education: God’s Plan for Educating Future Generations

Dr. Glen Schultz, 146 pages

The Pillars of Leadership

David J. Vaughan, 179 pages

Total Truth: Liberating Christianity from Its Cultural Captivity
 Nancy R. Pearcey, 396 pages

Spiritual Leadership: Moving People on to God's Agenda
 Henry and Richard Blackaby, 288 pages

Serious Times: Making Your Life Matter in an Urgent Day
 James Every White, 162 pages

7 Moments...That Define Excellent Leaders
 Lee J. Colan, 131 pages

The Secret: What Great Leaders Know—And Do
 Ken Blanchard and Mark Miller, 121 pages

Eat Mor Chikin, Inspire More People: Doing Business the Chick-fil-A Way
 S. Truett Cathy, 200 pages

Amusing Ourselves to Death: Public Discourse in the Age of Show Business
 Neil Postman, 163 pages

Spiritual Leadership: Principles of Excellence for Every Believer
 J. Oswald Sanders, 179 pages

A Man of God: Essential Priorities for Every Man's Life
 Dr. Jack Graham, 211 pages

The Search for Satisfaction: Looking for Something New Under the Sun
 David H. McKinley, 154 pages

Character Counts: Leadership Qualities in Washington, Wilberforce, Lincoln, and Solzhenitsyn
 Edited by Os Guinness, 160 pages

How Now Shall We Live?
 Chuck Colson with Nancy Pearcey, 491 pages

Growing Up Christian: Have You Taken Ownership of Your Relationship with God?
 Karl Graustein with Mark Jacobsen, 235 pages

Beyond Belief to Convictions: What You Need to Know to Help Youth Stand Strong in the Face of Today's Culture
 Josh McDowell and Bob Hostetler, 322 pages

Right from Wrong: What You Need to Know to Help Youth Make Right Choices
 Josh McDowell with Bob Hostetler, 353 pages

The Purpose Driven Life: What on Earth am I Here For?
 Rick Warren, 334 pages

The Ultimate Gift
 Jim Stovall, 154 pages

Season of Life: A Football Star, a Boy, a Journey to Manhood
 Jeffrey Marx, 177 pages

Liberty and Tyranny: A Conservative Manifesto
 Mark Levin, 256 pages

What's So Great About Christianity?
 Dinesh D'Souza, 308 pages

Campus Connection Related Suggestions

C3 – Political Team [Dan Panetti]

A Christian Manifesto
 Francis A. Schaeffer, 138 pages

The Abolition of Man
 C.S. Lewis, 113 pages

Relativism: Feet Firmly Planted in Mid-Air
 Francis J. Beckwith and Gregory Kouhl, 188 pages

Has Democracy Had Its Day?
 Carl F.H. Henry, 63 pages

Do Fish Know They're Wet?: Living in Your World—Without Getting Hooked

Tom Neven, 167 pages

Engaging God's World: A Christian Vision of Faith, Learning, and Living

Cornelius Plantinga, Jr., 150 pages

In a Pit with a Lion on a Snowy Day: How to Survive and Thrive When Opportunity Roars

Mark Batterson, 194 pages

Do Hard Things: A Teenage Rebellion Against Low Expectations

Alex and Brett Harris, 256 pages

They Must Be Stopped: Why We Must Defeat Radical Islam and How We Can Do It

Brigitte Gabriel, 238 pages

Green Team (PCA Recycles) [Melody Gravett]

Earth-Wise: A Biblical Response to Environmental Issues

Cal DeWitt, 92 pages

Redeeming Creation: The Biblical Basis for Environmental Stewardship

Fred Van Dyke, 214 pages

Serve God, Save the Planet: A Christian Call to Action

J. Matthew Sleeth, 256 pages

It's Easy Being Green: One Student's Guide to Serving God and Saving the Planet

Emma Sleeth, 192 pages

Media and the Arts Team

Roaring Lambs

Bob Briner, 208 pages

Addicted to Mediocrity: 20th Century Christians and the Arts

Franky Schaeffer, 214 pages

The Hollywood Project: A Look Into The Minds Of The Makers Of Spiritually Relevant Films

Alex Field, 192 pages

Behind the Screen: Hollywood Insiders on Faith, Film, And Culture

Spencer Lewerenz (Editor), Barbara Nicolosi (Editor)

Ministry Team [Mark Lichty]

The Servant Leader: Transforming Your Heart, Head, Hands and Habits

Ken Blanchard, 128 pages

The Next Generation Leader: Five Essentials for Those Who Will Shape the Future

Andy Stanley, 160 pages

Spurgeon on Leadership: Key Insights for Christian Leaders from the Prince of Preachers

Dr. Larry J. Michael, 220 pages