Recommended Non-Fiction List for College-Bound Students

Alderman, Ellen. *In Our Defense: The Bill of Rights in Action.* 342.73 ALDERMAN
Allende, Isabel. *Paula.* 921 ALLENDE
Allison, Jay, ed. *This I Believe: The Personal Philosophies of Remarkable Men and Women* (80 essays, famous to unknown, complete the title thought). 170.44 THIS
Ambrose, Stephen. *Undaunted Courage: Meriwether Lewis, Thomas Jefferson and the Opening of the West.* 917.804 AMBROSE
Angelou, Maya. *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* (Caution: some potentially disturbing situations). 921 ANGELOU
Armstrong, Lance. *It’s Not About the Bike* (cancer survival/inspiration). 921 ARMSTRONG
Beal, Merril. *I Will Fight No More Forever.* 970.3 BEAL
Beals, Melba Patillo. *Warriors Don’t Cry* (integration of Arkansas school). 921 BEALS
Bernstein, Carl. *All the President’s Men* (Watergate). 364.1 BERNSTEIN
Bissinger, H.G. *Friday Night Lights.* (Texas HS football). 796.332 BISSINGER
Bloom, Lisa. *Think: Straight Talk for Women to Stay Smart in a Dumbed-Down World* (beauty, media, and pop culture). 650.1082 BLOOM
Bradley, James. *Flags of Our Fathers* (account of the 6 Marines who raised the American Flag at the battle of Iwo Jima - in the famous photograph) 940.54 BRADLEY
Brende, Eric. *Better Off: Flipping the Switch on Technology.* ("two people, one year, zero watts"). 303.48 BRENDE
Brown, Claude. *Manchild in the Promised Land* (life in Harlem area). 921 BROWN
Buloson, Carlos. *America is in the Heart: A Personal History* (life of Filipino poet). 921 BULOSON
Conway, Jill Kerr. *The Road from Coorain* (sheep ranch to president of Smith College). 921 CONWAY
Covey, Sean. *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens.* 158 COVEY
Creamer, Robert W. *Babe: the Legend Comes to Life* (biography of Babe Ruth). 921 RUTH
Curie, Eve. *Madam Curie: a Biography.* 921 CURIE
Dahl, Roald. *Going Solo* (biography). 921 DAHL
Delaney, Sara and Delaney, A. Elizabeth. *Having Our Say: The Delaney Sisters’ First One Hundred Years.* 920 DELANEY
Dillard, Annie. *An American Childhood* (autobiography-Pittsburgh in the fifties). 921 DILLARD
Douglass, Frederick. *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave, Written by Himself.* 921 DOUGLASS
Elwes, Cary. *As You Wish* (the making of *The Princess Bride* film). Not at PHS Library
Fleming, Candace. *The Family Romanov: Murder, Rebellion, & the Fall of Imperial Russia.* 947.08 FLEMING
Fossey, Dian. *Gorillas in the Mist* (studies of gorilla culture/families). 599.88 FOSSEY
Frank, Anne. *Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl*. 940.53 FRANK
Franklin, Benjamin. *Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin*. 921 FRANKLIN
Freedman, Russell. *The Wright Brothers: How They Invented the Airplane*. 629.13 FREEDMAN
Friel, John C. and Linda D. *The 7 Best Things (Smart) Teens Do* (how to deal with issues and become a competent, successful adult). 158.1 FRIEL
Galarza, Ernesto. *Barrio Boy* (Mexican village to Sacramento). 921 GALARZA
Gibbon, Edward. *The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*. (classic account of Rome) EBK HISTORY
Gilbreth, Frank B. *Cheaper by the Dozen* (Family of 14 in the 1900s). 921 GILBRETH
Goodall, Jane. *In the Shadow of Man* (chimpanzee behavior). 599.8 GOODALL
Goodall, Jane, Fossey, Diane, Galdikas Birute. *Walking with the Great Apes*. 920 MONTGOMERY
Graham, Billy. *Just as I Am* (autobiography of famous evangelist). 921 GRAHAM
Graham, Robin. *Dove* (teen sails around the world). 910 GRAHAM
Harr, Jonathon. *A Civil Action* (city water contamination). 346.7303 HARR
Harrington, Michael. *Other America: Poverty in the United States*. 362.5 HARRINGTON
Hawking, Stephen. *A Brief History of Time* (science and space). 523.1 HAWKING
Hillenbrand, Laura. *Seabiscuit* (racing horse). 798.4 HILLENBRAND
Hillenbrand, Laura. *Unbroken: a World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption*. 940.54 HILLENBRAND
Herriot, James. *All Creatures Great and Small* (British veterinarian). 921 HERRIOT
Jenkins, Peter. *Walk Across America* (personal experiences of the walk). 917 JENKINS
Keller, Helen. *The Story of My Life*. 921 KELLER
Kelley Hall, Megan and Carrie Jones, eds. *Dear Bully: 70 Authors Tell Their Stories*. 302.3 DEAR
Kennedy, John F. *Profiles in Courage* (eight US Congressmen). 920 KENNEDY
Kennedy, Caroline. *Profiles in Courage for our Time* (people who won the P.I.C. award). 920 PROFILES
Kidder, Tracy. *Among Schoolchildren* (Teaching). 372.11 KIDDER
Krackour, John. *Into Thin Air* (Climbing Mt. Everest). 796.52 KRACKOUR
Lansing, Alfred *Endurance: Shackleton's Incredible Voyage* (South Pole discoveries). 919.9

Levitt, Steven D. *Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything* (questions, data, and interpretation) SP 330 LEVITT

Lewis, Anthony. *Gideon’s Trumpet* (one man vs. the American legal system). 323.42 LEWIS

Lindbergh, Charles A. *The Spirit of St. Louis*. 629.13 LINDBERG

Massie, Robert. *Nicholas and Alexandra*. 947.08 MASSIE

Mathabane, Mark. *Kaffir Boy* (growing up black in apartheid South Africa). 921

McBride, James. *The Color of Water: a Black Man’s Tribute to His White Mother*. 921

McCourt, Frank. *Angela’s Ashes: A Memoir* (from Ireland to America). 921 MCCOURT

McDonough, William and Michael Braungart. *Cradle to Cradle: Remaking the Way We Make Things*. ("eco-effectiveness," a nature-based model of manufacturing) 745.2 MCD

Menchu, Rigoberto. *I, Rigoberto Menchu* (South American civil rights). 921 MENCHU

Momaday, N. Scott. *The Way to Rainy Mountain* (Kiowa myths & Native American childhood). 793.0 MOMADAY

Murphy, Jim and Allison Blank. *Invincible Mibrobe: Tuberculosis and the Never-ending Search for a Cure*. 616.9 MURPHY


Neihardt, John. *Black Elk Speaks*. 921 BLACK

Needleman, Jacob. *The American Soul* (founding vision of America). 973 NEEDLEMAN

Opdyke, Irene. *In My Hands: Memoirs of a Holocaust Rescuer*. 921 OPDYKE

Peck, M. Scott. *The Road Less Traveled* (psychology, religion, spiritual ). 158.1 SCOTT


Pollan, Michael. *The Omnivore’s Dilemma*. (industrial food chain vs. other food sources) 394.1 POLLAN

Ralston, Aron. *Between a Rock and a Hard Place* (trapped/amputated arm). 796.51 RALSTON

Rawlings, Marjorie Kinnan. *Cross Creek* (orange grove in Florida). 921 RAWLINGS


Rodriguez, Luis J. *Always Running: la vida loca, gang days in L.A.*. 921 RODRIGUEZ

Rodriguez, Richard. *Hunger of Memory*. 921 RODRIGUEZ

Roosevelt, Eleanor. *This I Remember*. 921 ROOSEVELT

Roszak, Theodore. *Making of a Counter Culture* (youthful dissent in the 60s). 301.04 ROSZAK

Sagan, Carl. *Cosmos* (space and science). 520 SAGEN

Schlosser, Eric *Fast Food Nation* (history and examination of fast food industry). 394.1 SCHLOSSER

Shevchenko, Arkady. *Breaking with Moscow* (Russian spy who defected). 947.085 SHEVCHENKO

Siegal, Aranka. *Upon the Head of the Goat: A Childhood in Hungary*. 921 SIEGAL

Specht, Robert. *Tisha: Story of a Young Teacher in the Alaska Wilderness*. 371.1 HOBBS

Steinbeck, John. *Travels with Charlie* (America in the 1960s). 917.3 STEINBECK


Timerman, Jacobo. *Prisoner Without a Name, Cell Without a Number* (Argentine newspaper publisher criticized his government's policy of repression). 921 TIMERMAN
Ten Boom, Corrie. *The Hiding Place* (Nazi occupation of Holland). 940.54 TEN BOOM

Toffler, Alvin. *Future Shock* (technology, problems and the future). 301.24 TOFFLER

Toland, John. *The Rising Sun; the Decline and Fall of the Japanese Empire, 1936-1945.* (Japanese historical perspective of WWII). 952.03 TOLAND

Uchida, Yoshiko. *Desert Exile: The Uprooting of a Japanese-American Family.* 940.54 UCHIDA

Washington, Booker. *Up from Slavery.* 921 WASHINGTON

Wiesenthal, Simon. *The Sunflower: On the Possibilities and Limits of Forgiveness* (what would you do if a Nazi SS member asked for your forgiveness?). 179.7 WIESENTHAL

Welty, Eudora. *One Writer’s Beginnings.* 921 WELTY

Williams, Juan. *Eyes on the Prize: American Civil Rights 1954-1965.* 323.4 WILLIAMS


Wolff, Tobias. *This Boy’s Life: A Memoir.* 921 WOLFF

Wright, Richard. *Black Boy: A Record of Childhood and Youth.* 921 WRIGHT


Yeager, Chuck. and Janos, Leo. *Yeager: An Autobiography* (broke sound barrier). 921 YEAGER