

Dear seventh graders,

We are beginning a novel study to finish out the school year. For this study, we will all read The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton. The 15-year-old who started writing it took three years before it was published in 1967. Since that was a ways back, some of the vocabulary will be a little different for you, but you can figure out most of it from context clues. A dictionary will also be provided for you. This book contains few instances of foul language (which we know not to repeat in class), some violence, and a huge classic quotation. There are some surprises along the way - be sure to not give any spoilers to your classmates! We will focus on the characters and their internal conflicts, exploring the ways in which the events of the book affect them and cause change.

We will read in class. You are always responsible for keeping up with your characters profile. (This applies even if you are absent and miss a day of class.) Turn your book and your profile in everyday at the end of class.

When you finish the entire book, we will begin discussions. Bring your honest reactions, questions, and ideas about this book and its story. This is a remarkable book - you may end up considering it one of your favorites.

Enjoy!

## Reading Schedule for The Outsiders

**Mrs. Rincon can change any of the following dates as needed.**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Monday 4th</b> Read Pages 1-30	<b>Tuesday 5th</b> Read Pages 31-60	<b>Wednesday 6th</b> Read pgs 61-90	<b>Thursday 7th</b> Read pgs 91-120	<b>Friday 8th</b> Read pgs 121-150
<b>Monday 11th</b> Read Pages 151-180	<b>Tuesday 12th</b> Outsiders Work Day	<b>Wednesday 13th</b> SRI Testing <b>All Outsiders Due!</b>	<b>Thursday 14th</b> Outsiders Movie	<b>Friday 15th</b> Outsiders Movie
<b>Monday 18th</b> Letter to senior self	<b>Tuesday 19th</b> <i>Power play</i>	<b>Wednesday 20th</b> Blackout Poetry Finish up anything missing	<b>Thursday 21st</b> ½ day LAST DAY OF SCHOOL	