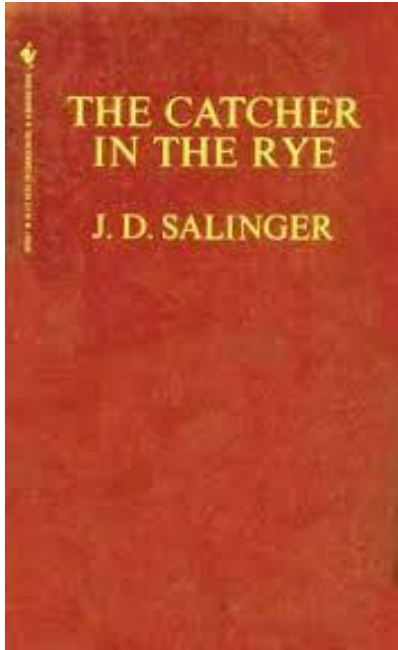


**School of the Arts
College Preparatory English 2
2022-2023 Summer Reading Selection**



***The Catcher in the Rye*, J.D. Salinger, 1951**

This novel significantly helped kick off the counterculture movement in America after World War II. It introduces the first 20th Century literary teenage rebel, Holden Caulfield, who has just been kicked out of another private school, Pencey Prep. Not ready to face his parents, he wanders around New York City during the days before Winter Break, seeking anyone's company to ward off his loneliness. Holden is at the threshold between childhood and adulthood, and he does not find the latter very attractive. He views most of his peers and most adults as “phonies” and sees the transition into adulthood more as a fall than an ascent.

Read and annotate the novel.

Evaluation:

- 1) Annotations will be graded. But do not annotate for the sake of annotating. Annotate to document the passages you find significant for conveying such elements as conflict, theme, and character. Underlining and using asterisks is also helpful, but notes provide clarification.
- 2) Students will take an objective test on the first day of class.

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