Summer Assignment

Before the first day of school in the fall, Everyone will read one book from the following list. The books are selected for their educational and intellectual value. They cover a variety of perspective regarding the American Revolution and the Constitution and the Founders. They are also of various lengths and difficulty levels. Choose a book based on your particular interests. See me or e-mail me if you have trouble selecting one. Many books are available at public libraries, all are available at Amazon.com

It is not a good idea to select a book solely based on length.

1. Catherine Drinker Bowen: *Miracle at Philadelphia; The Story of the Constitutional Convention, May to September 1787*

2. Alan Taylor: *American Revolutions: A Continental History, 1750-1804*

3. Maya Jasanoff: *Liberty’s Exiles; American Loyalists in the Revolutionary World*

4. Alan Gilbert: *Black Patriots and Loyalists; Fighting for Emancipation in the War for Independence*

5. Laura Auricchio: *The Marquis: Lafayette Reconsidered*

6. Woody Holton: *Abigail Adams*
7. Stephen F. Knott and Tony Williams: *Washington and Hamilton; The Alliance That Forged a Nation*


10. Mary Sarah Bilder: *Madison’s Hand: Revising the Constitutional Convention*

11. Joseph J. Ellis: *Founding Brothers; The Revolutionary Generation*