

Juanita High School Summer Reading 2018 Incoming A.P. Language (Juniors)

But not 11th Cambridge



RATIONALE: The Juanita High School learning community encourages all students to develop into thoughtful, avid readers. With this aim, the staff is asking all incoming juniors taking AP Language to read the following book.

***Bel Canto* by Ann Patchett**

Somewhere in South America, at the home of the country's vice president, a lavish birthday party is being held in honor of the powerful businessman Mr. Hosokawa. Roxanne Coss, opera's most revered soprano, has mesmerized the international guests with her singing. It is a perfect evening -- until a band of gun wielding terrorists takes the entire party hostage. But what begins as a panicked, life-threatening scenario slowly evolves into something quite different, a moment of great beauty, as terrorists and hostages forge unexpected bonds and people from different continents become compatriots, intimate friends, and lovers.

Summer Reading Assignment

Take notes on plot, character, and your personal reactions (What did you like or not like?). You will not turn in your notes, so there is no minimum requirement, but they will help you on assignments and tests at the beginning of the year.

Be prepared to discuss and write about this book during the first week of school.

**We value your integrity.
Plagiarism and cheating will result in
an irrevocable score of zero.**