## **Summer Reading 2018 Brandon Academy 9th grade**

This summer, before you enter 9th grade, you must read 2 books.

Book 1: A Long Walk to Water by Linda Sue Park.

 When finished write a short reflection (1 page, double spaced). How did you feel after reading this book?

Book 2: For your second book you can choose anything you would like that has one of the following as a major theme:

- Immigration
- Racism
- Standing up for your beliefs
- Tradition
- The Hero's Journey
- Coming of Age

DO NOT READ because we may read them in class this year:

- To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
- The Merchant of Venice by William Shakespeare
- Funny in Farsi by Firoozeh Dumas
- Silent Dancing by Judith Ortiz Cofer

When you return to school be prepared to give a book talk about your book. A book talk is like a movie trailer for your book. Think about:

- Why someone would want to read this?
- What is it about, without spoiling it?
  Why did you pick this book to read?
  What made this story meaningful?
- What was different or interesting about the structure or organization of this book? In what ways does this book fit the chosen theme?

Be prepared to present your book talk the first few days of school. You can stand up and talk, make a video to play in class, or create something to show off.