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Dear Parents/ Guardians:

Students entering twelfth grade will read a book during the summer break to prepare them for their English class:

- For students entering Advanced Placement Literature, Advanced Placement Research, and Honors English, the assignment is **required** and involves reading at least one of the books listed below.
- For students entering Academic English, students are encouraged to read the book listed below for enrichment. It is not requirement.

Your child participated in a book talk before the end of the school year and was introduced to each of the choices. All of the books on the list are available at Barnes and Noble, local libraries, and online at Amazon.com. We recommend that students have access to their own copies in class during the beginning of the year.

AP Literature and Composition: Read a full novel of fiction that you haven't read before that is either a winner or a finalist from the following sources:

- National Book Awards: https://www.nationalbook.org/national-book-awards/years/
- Pulitzer Prize for Fiction: https://www.pulitzer.org/prize-winners-by-category/219
 (Note: You may not choose *All the Light We Cannot See* or *The Nickel Boys*, as those will be taught during the school year.)

Advanced Placement Research: Read the selected text.

• 100 Questions (and answers) about Research Methods by Neil Salkind. ISBN 978-1-4129-9203-9.

Honors English: Read *Grit: The Power of Passion and Perseverance* by Angela Duckworth. ISBN 978-1501111112.

Academic English: Read *The Playbook: 52 Rules to Aim, Shoot, and Score in This Game Called Life* by Kwame Alexander. ISBN 978-0544570979.

We urge all parents and guardians to work with their children in choosing books that all parties find appropriate and engaging. Our intention with this summer reading assignment is to promote reading, to encourage responsibility, and to prepare students for the upcoming school year.

Sincerely,

The English Department