All incoming 9th Graders to NHS

Mark your calendar!

Freshman Orientation

Aug. 17th 9:00 am.
Summer Reading Assignment

9th Grade English

All incoming 9th grade English students will be expected to read a book this summer and complete a summer reading assignment. Answer the following questions in complete sentences, keeping in mind that you must include specific text evidence to receive credit for your answers. This work should be done over the summer. You will not have class time to work on this assignment. It will be collected on the first day of class.

Selections:

*The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown

*The Five You Meet in Heaven* by Mitch Albom

1. **Plot**: Plot is the sequence of events in a literary work. Give a brief but detailed summary of your summer reading selection. Be sure to include specific events from the story.

2. **Setting**: Setting includes both time and place. Describe the setting of your selection. Be very specific.
3. **Point of View** - Who is telling the story? Is the story written from a first person point of view or a third person point of view? What affect does this choice have on the reader?

4. **Characterization** - Describe the people or characters in your selection. Be sure to include the major and minor characters with a specific description of each. Include both physical description and personality traits.

5. **Theme** - Theme is a universal message or truth conveyed in a story. What do you think is the theme of your selection? Use specific text evidence to support your answer.
6. **Author’s purpose** - An author’s purpose is his or her reason for writing. Consider your story selection, was it written to inform or to entertain readers? Use details from the selection to support your answer.

7. **Evaluation** - Did you enjoy this year’s summer reading? What did you like or dislike about it? Be sure to include specific details so I can tell that you read the book.
9th Grade Supplies List

**U.S. History**
3 ring Binder-2" (can be shared with another class)
Highlighters
Pens/Pencils
Paper

**Earth Science – MERIT/HONORS**
3 Ring Binder (2" or larger)
Notebook Dividers
Highlighters
USB Flash Drive (1 GB or larger)
Pens (blue or black)
Pencils
Colored Pencils
Composition Book (Science Project)
Stretchable Book cover (recommended-not required)
Portfolio Paper
Graph Paper

**Earth Science**
3 Ring Binder – (2" or larger)
Notebook Dividers
Highlighters
Colored Pencils
Pens (blue or black)
Pencils
Stretchable Book cover (recommended-not required)
Portfolio folder with pockets
Foreign Language – Spanish I
3 ring Binder (can be shared with another class)
  Spanish Dictionary (optional)
  Colored Pencils/Markers (optional)

Foreign Language – Spanish II
3 ring Binder (can be shared with another class)
  Textbook cover
  Loose leaf paper
  Pens/Pencils

Biology, Biology-M or Biology-H
3 ring Binder (2" or larger)
  Notebook Paper
  Notebook Dividers
USB Flash Drive (256 MB or larger) (not needed for Gen. Biology)
  Pencils
  Composition Book (Science Fair)
  Stretchable Book cover (recommended-not required)
    Highlighters

Health
1 - 3 Ring binder 1"
(can be shared with other classes)

Phys. Ed
Combination Lock - NO key locks
  Shorts/T-Shirt (appropriate for school)
  Sneakers

Art
  #2 Wooden Pencils – 1 pack
  Eraser (preferable hard plastic)
  1 box colored pencils
Vo Ag
3 ring Binder
Calculator
3x5 Note Cards
Colored Pencils

English
3 ring binder
Notebook paper
5 dividers for notebook
Black Pen
Highlighters (at least 2 different colors)
Small Post-It Notes
Note Cards

Math
3-ring binder, at least 2" (can be shared with another class)
Pencils & erasers
Graph Paper
Notebook paper
Portfolio with pockets or 3 prongs
Graphing calculator OR 4 new-in-package AAA batteries if you wish to use a school-owned calculator

Principles of Engineering
3 ring binder
Pens/Pencils
Set of dividers for notebook
Scientific Calculator

JROTC LET I
All needed materials and resources provided
IED
Engineering Notebook (with graph paper – NOT lined)
1 ½” – 3 ring binder
100 sheets of notebook paper