



WYOMISSING AREA JUNIOR - SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The incoming class of ninth graders is required to read a book this summer. Your child recently participated in a book talk and was introduced to each selection. This required reading will prepare the students for our first unit of study in the opening weeks of the school year. As part of this requirement, your child needs to complete the accompanying worksheet based on the book he or she has chosen. A copy of the worksheet can be found on the junior-senior high school's web site. This worksheet will be collected on the first day of school. It will be graded and will be used to guide classroom discussions.

The students must choose a book based on the English class they have been recommended to take in ninth grade. All of the books are available at Amazon.com and Barnes and Noble. Copies are also available for students to borrow from local libraries. However, we recommend that students have access to their own copies in class during the beginning of the year.

Honors English: Choose one of the following:

Green, John. *Turtles All the Way Down*. ISBN: 978-0525555360

Quick, Matthew. *Boy21*. ISBN: 978-0316127967

Shusterman, Neal. *Challenger Deep*. ISBN: 978-0061134142

Toten, Teresa. *The Unlikely Hero of Room 13B*. ISBN: 978-0553507898

The assignment sheet for Honors English is different from the assignment sheet for Academic and Comprehensive English.

Academic English: Choose one of the following:

Card, Orson Scott. *Ender's Game*. ISBN: 978-0812550702

*Draper, Sharon. *Copper Sun*. ISBN: 978-1416953487

(This choice contains realistic portrayals of slave trade which some readers may find disturbing.)

* Green, John. *The Fault in Our Stars*. ISBN: 978-0525478812

(This choice contains mature situations and language)

Roth, Veronica. *Divergent*. ISBN: 978-0062024039

Comprehensive English: Choose one of the following:

Anderson, Laurie Halse. *Fever 1793*. ISBN: 978-0689848919

Avi. *Nothing But the Truth*. ISBN: 978-0380719075

Fleischman, Paul. *Whirligig*. ISBN: 978-0440228356

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

Sincerely,

The English Department