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Dear Parents/Guardians:

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

- For students entering Honors English, the assignment is <u>required</u> and involves reading at least one of the books listed below.
- For students entering Academic English, students are encouraged to read <u>one</u> of the books listed below for **enrichment**. It is not a 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.

**Honors English:** Students in Honors English will read *A Separate Peace* by John Knowles (ISBN: 978-0743253970).

**Academic English:** Students in Academic English will reading one novel from the following list:

A Separate Peace by John Knowles (ISBN: 978-0743253970)

*Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption* by Laura Hillenbrand (ISBN: 978-1400064168) or the Young Adult version titled *Unbroken: An Olympian's Journey from Airman to Castaway to Captive* (ISBN: 978-0605828018)

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak (ISBN: 978-0375842207)

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