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LEVITTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Levittown Families,

It is hard to believe that we only have a few short weeks left in the school year. With that being said, we are getting ready to embark on Summer Reading for summer 2024. We are utilizing our Summer Reading to make it part of the students' core curriculum when they enter their new grade in the fall.

Therefore, it is mandatory that each student follow their summer reading assignment that is outlined below for each grade level. Some grades will choose their own book based off of a summer reading list and others will be assigned a specific text. If a specific text is assigned, the students will get their assigned book from the HS library and must return the book in September 2024.

Whether students are choosing a book from their grade level book list, or reading the required text, they must do so thoughtfully and be prepared to come into class on September 4, 2024 ready to discuss, share, and write about what they read. Simply skimming the book will not be acceptable. Students are encouraged to use post-its to gather thoughts and quotes that resonate with them along the way, but please do not annotate or highlight in these books. If the book is damaged in any way, students will have to pay for the book. There is a *Summer Reading Chart* that is to be completed by the student to help them gather their thoughts about what they read during the summer months.

Students are also encouraged to visit the Levittown Public Library over the summer and read as many additional books as they so choose.

The first unit in English class will include activities based on their assigned Summer Reading book or the book they chose off of their grade's book list. First quarter grades will be based, in part, on the efforts students expend while engaging in their summer reading. As such, the reading must take place prior to the start of classes in September.

Thank you for your support and encouragement with this initiative. This will help us succeed in getting students prepared for their new grade in the fall and encourage the love of reading. I wish you the happiest of summers.

Sincerely,

Dr. K. L. Slattery

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Summer Reading Assignments:

Incoming 9th Graders: Refugee by Alan Gratz

Incoming 10th Graders: 10th grade booklist (see district website for list)

Incoming 10 Pre AP students: 10 Pre AP booklist (see district website for list)

Incoming 11th Graders:11th grade booklist (see district website for list)

Incoming 12th Graders taking College Literature: Monsters: A Bedford Spotlight Reader by Andrew J. Hoffman

Incoming 12th Graders taking College Writing: see district website for assignment

**AP Capstone Seminar, 11 AP and 12 AP students have alternative assignments (see district website for all details)