English 4 University Summer Reading 2023-2024

Please be aware that students will be held responsible for the assignments on the first day of the fall semester. If a student chooses to change the level of course or class over the summer, the student will be held responsible for the summer assignments for the courses reflected on the schedule for the first day of school. If you have questions about the assignments, please contact the Language Arts Department Head, Andrea Weaver, at [weavera@pcsb.org](mailto:weavera@pcsb.org). If you have questions regarding which course your student is enrolled in for the fall, please contact your guidance counselor.

1. Choose a fictional novel (high school reading level)
2. Read and complete the assignment. Be ready to turn in your assignment during the first week of class.

Essay Assignment for fictional novel:

Write a character analysis about the protagonist from your novel. Essays should be original, typed, 500 words, 5 paragraph style. Use proper grammar, punctuation, and essay format below. Do not summarize the plot. Focus on the main character and his conflict.

Please include: --Introduction paragraph: state title, author of your book, name of the main character, theme of this novel, and conflict (briefly) --Setting: Where /when does the story take place? How did the setting or time period effect the development of the main character? --Characterization methods: How did the author developed the main character? (description, actions, effect/reaction on others, dialogue, stream of conscience/thoughts) --Conflict or problem: What conflict or problem does the main character face and how does he/she solve his/her problem? Does he/she go on a quest or journey? --Conclusion paragraph: How did the main character change or what did he/she accomplish? Were the main character and his/her problem believable? If you could change something about this story, what would you change or add? Would you recommend this book to a friend?