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Dear Parent and Student:

This summer students are required to read an assigned book before the start of the 2008-2009 school year. Listed below are the readings for the various placements within the Social Science Department. Each title is specific to a time period and/or issue covered within the assigned course.

Each student is expected to secure the reading through his/her own means. Upon the start of the school year, all students must be prepared to take an objective exam that will serve as the first grade of the first marking period.

Course Taken in 2008-2009

Book to Be Read

WH (PCP)

Inside the Walls of Troy by Clarence McLaren (Trojan War)

WH (CP)

Anna of Byzantium by Tracey Barrett
(Anna Commena of the Byzantine Empire)

WH (H)

Even After All This Time by Afschineh Latifi (story of love, revolution, and leaving Iran)

USI (PCP)

The Killer Angels by Michael Shaara (Civil War)

USI (CP)

April Morning by Howard Fast (American Revolution)

USII (PCP)

Warriors Don't Cry by Melba Patillo Beals
(The Little Rock Nine)

USII (CP)

All Quiet on the Western Front by Erich Maria Remarque (WWI)

The following are guidelines to follow as you read in preparation for the September test:

1. Name the main characters and their importance to the story.
2. How does the title of the book relate to the theme?
3. What is the message the author is trying to convey?
4. Identify a "turning point" in the story and its impact.
5. Focus on vocabulary specific to the story line.
6. Focus on critical points in the story line.

We are asking for your support of this "extended learning" program. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Ms. Jacqueline Storts
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Summer Reading List – Language Arts – Bloomfield High

Grade 9 Honors	<u>The Odyssey</u>
Grade 9 CP	<u>To Kill a Mocking Bird</u>
Grade 9 PCP	<u>Call of the Wild</u>
Grade 10 Honors	<u>A Tale of Two Cities</u>
Grade 10 CP	<u>Lord of the Flies</u>
Grade 10 PCP	<u>The Pearl</u>
Grade 11 Honors	<u>The Great Gatsby</u>
Grade 11 CP	<u>The Great Gatsby</u>
Grade 11 PCP	<u>The Old Man and the Sea</u>
Grade 12 AP	<u>1984</u>
Grade 12 CP	<u>Brave New World</u>
Grade 12 PCP	<u>Animal Farm</u>