

English IV

Advanced Placement/Dual Credit

Summer Reading Assignment

Purchase copies of the novella *Heart of Darkness* by Joseph Conrad and the novel *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding. Carefully read both works.

No assignment is required for either piece, but be prepared to take a test the second day of class. You will be working with each piece in more detail during the school year.

Your Senior year will be a challenging one as you will be reading college-level texts and writing multi-modal papers. Most class periods will require some type of written response either formal or informal in form. You also will be preparing for the Advanced Placement English Literature and Composition exam for the end of the year.

This course will prepare you for the challenges that lie ahead in college and beyond. You will become a more skillful, thoughtful, and critical reader of prose and poetry. You will become a powerful essayist.

We look forward to meeting and working with each of you next school year; however, you should be prepared for a challenging class. Remember, this is a COLLEGE-level course and an ADVANCED PLACEMENT class. The workload is rigorous—plan to work on English almost every evening to succeed.