English 12 Summer Reading

Welcome BHS seniors! For your final English class we begin by exploring the options and opportunities you are heading towards after graduating, and we will continue developing the skills necessary for success in the adult world. While you may not be a self-proclaimed "Reader," you have done a TON of reading to successfully arrive at this point in your educational journey. I cordially invite you to choose a novel for your summer reading that may reconnect you with the experience that reading is relaxing, enjoyable, and informational (or transformational) but that also challenges you by way of learning something new for your life or experiencing someone else's journey into adulthood. Please prepare to finish this year strong while headed towards the end of high school and the beginning of the next best thing!

Please select a fiction or nonfiction novel (200+ pages) that deals with <u>at least one</u> of the following:

- Characters experiencing a transition from teen life to adulthood.
- Characters who are struggling through college or first jobs.
- Books that explain a career that interests you.
- Self-help that teaches you to navigate through relationships or transitions of any kind.
- Novels that provide information and insight into how the world works beyond school.
- Biographies, autobiographies, or memoirs that cover a life's journey.
- Stories that detail characters or people (at any stage of life) creating change in the world.

*For ideas of some titles to read (and to borrow from the BHS LMC), please go to the BHS website→<u>Library Media Center page</u>→click the <u>LMC Catalog</u> at the bottom left→click Catalog at the top→click Resource Lists on the left→View the English 12 list.

Your assignment is explained on the following page. It is due when school begins in the fall.

Have a great summer and happy reading!!

Mrs. Lotter

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Please create a <u>slideshow presentation</u> to be shared the first week of school. A slideshow earning full credit will include all of the following requirements:

- Title slide with your name, the novel title and author, and a creative image to represent the novel.
- Personal introduction slide personal details about you. Include three things you enjoyed about summer, two things you are excited for during senior year, and one reason why you chose to read this novel. Bullet points are sufficient.
- Novel introduction Write a brief summary (25-50 words) and select an image that represents the essential question addressed in the book.
 - Summary: a brief statement or account of the main points of something. NOT analysis, opinion, or your thoughts.
- Central conflict or purpose Provide the main idea your author presents in the novel with a quote demonstrating a theme and the writing style of the author.
- Resolution Identify the primary idea/skill/life lesson that either you or the character learns by the end of the novel.
- Rating Please rate the novel and recommend who would enjoy reading it. Include an image of the novel's cover.