**Adv. English I – Mr. Egan**

**Outside Reading Assignment Fall 2017**

**Reading Requirement:** Students are required to read AT LEAST two books of their choice for the fall semester. The only requirements are that the books are **age-appropriate** (nothing that is aimed at middle school students or lower) and **have not been made into a movie or television show**. If you’re not sure if your book is appropriate, I can help you figure it out.

The primary purpose of this assignment is to encourage you to read for **PLEASURE** (*Guess what? This benefits you!).* I want you to read books that you will enjoy. That’s why I’m allowing you to basically read whatever you want (as long as it’s okay with your parents or guardians).

In order to hold you accountable for reading, you should have an outside reading book with you in class **AT ALL TIMES**.

We will try to have 15-20 minutes of SSR weekly. Additionally, you will be required to write two (2) blog/reading journal entries for each book. The due dates are listed below. This does not mean that you will be writing them on the evening of the due date. Entries should be submitted before you come to class that day. Blog entries are formative assessments, and they must be completed before you will be allowed to complete the summative assessment for your book.

For your summative assessment, you will be given a “One Pager,” a brief writing assignment, for each book. It will give you a chance to tell me about some aspect of your book, depending on the specific prompt you get. The writing assignment will only take about 30 minutes; this is nothing to stress about as long as you read your book and complete your formative blog entries. My main objective is to ensure that you actually completed the book and can consider the development of plot, characters, theme, etc. from the beginning of the book until the end.

If you finish your book early and want to complete your One-Pager before the due date, you can do so before or after school. Just give me at least 2-3 day’s notice, so I can make sure I’m available.

**Reading Journal/Blog Due Dates:**

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| Book 1 entry 1 | 9/12 (A), 9/13(B) |
| Book 1 entry 2 | 9/26 (A), 9/27(B) |
| Book 2 entry 1 | 10/24 (A),10/25(B) |
| Book 2 entry 2 | 11/8 (A), 11/9(B) |

**Book Due Dates:**

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| **BOOK #1** | October 10th (A-day) & October 11th (B-day) |
| **BOOK #2** | November 27th (A-day) & November 28th (B-day) |

Each One-Pager is worth a summative test grade (Category 2 – Summative Assignment for *RL.9-10.10 or RI.9-10.10: Students will read and comprehend complex literary/informative texts independently and proficiently*).