REQUIRED SUMMER ASSIGNMENT

Teaneck High School - English Department

Purpose:

- To provide learners with extended learning opportunities over the summer months in preparation for coursework during the upcoming year.

Students who will take:

- Language and Literature 9
- Language and Literature 9 - Honors
- English 9

Directions:

Students are required to read ***one*** of the following titles and choose an assignment to be completed prior to beginning the school year. The summer assignment is required and will be counted as a grade.

Recommended Reading:

Recommended Title	Author	Title
Book Title 1	**Guadalupe Garcia McCall**	***Summer of the Mariposas***
Book Title 2	**Jacqueline Woodson**	***If You Come Softly***
Book Title 3	**Marjane Satrapi**	***Persepolis***

Summer Assignment Menu	
Option One	Assignment Description:Video or Podcast Book Review After reading the novel, students will record a two-three minute video or podcast recording reviewing the text. The recording must demonstrate their understanding and analysis of major themes in the

	novel along with whether or not they would recommend the book.
	Rubric is attached to the assignment linked above. Student work will be evaluated on a on a 3-point scale using the following criteria: *Opening/Closing, Content/Theme Analysis, Connections, Delivery*
Option Two	Assignment Description: Personal Connection Writing As you read the novel, you are required to gather evidence and think deeply about the author's craft, themes, and ideas found throughout the text in order to write an essay about your personal connections to the themes in the text. Further details about assignment requirements and scoring are included in the attachment.
	Scoring Description: (How will the assignment be scored?) Rubric is attached to the assignment linked above. Student work will be evaluated on a on a 3-point scale using the following criteria: *Opening/Closing, Content/Theme Analysis, Connections, Writing Style/Grammar, Usage, Mechanics, Spelling*