English 1 General: Summer 2019

Welcome to your freshman year at MOHS! We hope that you have an enjoyable summer and spend time reading and preparing for the 2019-20 school year. We would like all students to have the opportunity to prepare for their upcoming school year by reading a book of choice.

If you decide to engage in the optional summer reading, you may choose a book from any of the below lists OR choose an independent read that is age appropriate. If you have any questions about your selection, you may email Ms. Erin Riley-Lepo at erin.rileylepo@motsd.org over the summer.

The following lists contain titles that may be of interest:

- https://www.goodreads.com/shelf/show/9th-grade-reading-list
- http://dclibrary.org/teens/booklists#nine
- https://www.bookshare.org/browse/collection/21/Teacher%20Recommended%20Reading%3A%20Grades%209-12%20(A-K%20by%20title)

Happy Reading!

Enrichment Activity:

Your first unit of study will be focused around the following Essential Questions/Enduring Understandings while we read John Steinbeck’s Of Mice and Men. You may want to begin to consider these questions while you read books, newspapers, essays, articles, or watch nightly news programs to help better prepare yourself for the first in-class topics:

- How are people transformed through their relationships with others?
- What is an individual’s responsibility to another individual?

*This is not a mandatory assignment; however, considering these questions and making connections to your reading experiences over the summer will better prepare you for success in English I General. You may bring your ideas to class on the first day of school as a way to better engage in the opening activities.