Welcome to your sophomore year at MOHS! We hope that you will have an enjoyable summer and spend some time reading and preparing for the 2019-2020 school year. We would like all students to have the opportunity to prepare for their upcoming school year by reading a book of choice, newspapers, essays, articles, or viewing films, documentaries, or nightly news programs.

If you decide to engage in the optional summer reading, you may choose a book from any of the sites listed below or choose any independent reading or material that is age appropriate. If, over the summer, you have any questions about your selection email Mrs. Margosiak at lea.margosiak@motsd.org.

The following list of websites contains titles that may be of interest to you:

- 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)
- https://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/12-documentaries-that-will-inspire-kids-to-change-the-world

**Enrichment Activity:**

Your first unit of study will be focused around the following Essential Question/Enduring Understanding while we read *Night* by Elie Wiesel.

**Why do people lose or maintain faith in humanity?**

Consider this question while you are reading or viewing books, newspapers, essays, articles, films, documentaries, or nightly news programs. Develop a “product” that demonstrates the relationship between your material and the Essential Question. Consider responding with: a written piece, a visual representation of your thoughts, several double entry journals, diary entries from the perspectives of the characters, or a sculpture of key symbols.

Be creative, the sky’s the limit! Bring your ideas to class on the first day of school.

*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 II CP.

Happy Reading!