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Dear Parents and Seniors:

We are eager to meet you in our senior classes next year. All students at Lakewood High School, as well as other high schools in the area, are enhancing their education through summer reading. The selections for each senior class are listed below.

Please be advised that some of the readings below deal with mature themes.

World Lit. – Semester 1 and/or 2: *The Prophet* by Kahlil Gibran

Race in Literature -- "*My Dungeon Shook: A Letter to my Nephew on the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Emancipation*" by James Baldwin

Available for free online via a Google search or at:
<http://www.thenagain.info/Classes/Sources/Baldwin.html>

Speech – *Einstein's Dreams* by Alan Lightman

Drama - *The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-In-The-Moon Marigolds* by Paul Zindel

Writing for College – *Fast Food Nation* by Eric Schlosser

Practical Communications and Contemporary Reading - *Go Ask Alice*, Anonymous

Journalism -- *Enrique's Journey* by Sonia Nazario. (The Pulitzer Prize-winning account of a Honduran boy's travels on top of "the train that devours" to be reunited with his mother in the U.S.). Students should enter the online forum accessible through the Journalism Class Moodle on the district website.

Creative Writing - *Writing Down the Bones* by Natalie Goldberg (10 double-entry journals due)

Broadcast Media – *All My Sons* by Arthur Miller and *Twelve Angry Men* by Reginald Rose

Great Lit./Great Film - *High Fidelity* by Nick Hornby

English 12 Advanced Placement:

Alias Grace, Margaret Atwood – 10 double-sided journal entries required

Atonement, Ian McEwan – 10 double-sided journal entries required

A Prayer for Owen Meany, John Irving -10 double-sided journal entries required

The Road, Cormac McCarthy – reduction required

For further information, go to <http://lakewoodcityschools.org/>. Go to the Lakewood High School main page and look for the link for summer reading.

We are excited about the summer reading program and hope you enjoy it.

Sincerely,
LHS English Teachers