

3205 N. University Drive, Coral Springs, FL 33065

PANTHER POST

MAY/JUNE 2011

Dear Parents and Students,

With the beginning of May comes one of the busiest times of the year for CSCS. Our students have excelled not only in the classroom, but also in their many extracurricular activities as well. Closing out the athletic season, the presentation of concerts, awards programs and end of the year banquets almost entirely fills up the May calendar! This is the time of year when the hard work of so many of our students is acknowledged and celebrated. It is, without a doubt, one of the most exciting times of the year for our students, parents, teachers and staff. The administration and faculty are extremely proud of all our students!

Celebration is certainly in order for the Class of 2011! Our seniors are looking forward to many upcoming events including: Grad Bash, Prom, Senior Awards Night and finally Commencement Exercises on June 2nd. Many of our pending graduates have finalized their post high school plans and are eagerly looking forward to being college freshmen this fall. All of us at CSCS wish all of our graduates the very best as they continue their life's journey.

Congratulations also to our 8th graders who will be moving from middle school into high school. CSCS will acknowledge this important milestone by holding a transition ceremony on June 9th.

As this school year comes to an end, the staff is busy preparing for a new school year to begin in August. We are looking forward to welcoming a new group of sixth graders and will be hosting an orientation in our auditorium for 6th grade parents on Monday, July 11th at 6:00 PM and incoming 6th grade students on Friday, August 12th from 7:45 AM – 12:00 PM in the cafeteria .

On another note, students are reminded to complete the summer reading assignment. Middle school students will be reading *IQ: Independence Hall* by Roland Smith and high school students will be reading *Life As We Knew It* by Susan Beth Pfeffer. The purpose of the summer reading program is to instill in our students the joy and love of reading. Teachers will provide follow up lessons and activities related to the books during the first month of the new school year. For your convenience, the books will be on sale at the school store.

Finally, as this school year closes I would like to thank you all for helping make my first year as Principal at CSCS a very gratifying one!

Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

Gary Springer

IMPORTANT DATES – MAY/JUNE

May 1	Band Carwash - Coral Springs Drive and Atlantic Blvd.
May 2	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 2-4	Cheerleader Clinics, 3-5pm
May 3-4	Chorus Spring Concert, 7pm
May 4-5	Herff Jones Sophomore Class Ring Order- During C & D lunches
May 5	Cheerleader Tryouts, 3pm
May 5	Band Spring Concert, 7pm
May 6	Senior Class Grad Night @ Disney World
May 6	8 th Grade Semi-Formal
May 7	6 th Grade Field Trip
May 7	Sophomore Class Carwash
May 9-10	Dance Recital, 7:30 p.m.
May 10-12	Uniform Pre-Sale, 5-7p.m.
May 10	Interim Reports Issued
May 11	8th Grade Fundraiser @ Flogurt, 5-8pm
May 11	Drama booster club meeting, 7pm
May 12	S.A.D.D. Ghost-out
May 12	Chorus Banquet, 6:30-9:30, cafeteria
May 13	8 th Grade Grad Adventure
May 14	Senior Prom, 7pm
May 16	SAC Meeting, 7pm
May 17	NJHS/NHS Induction Ceremony, 7pm, cafeteria
May 17	Band booster club meeting, 7pm
May 18	Silver Knight Ceremony- @ James L Knight Center Miami, 6-9pm
May 19	Charter's Got Talent, 7-9pm, Auditorium
May 20	STRIVE Jeans Day
May 20	Athletic Letterman's Dance, 6pm, Cafeteria
May 21	7 th Grade Field Trip, Disney
May 21	9 th and 10 th Grade Field Trip, Islands of Adventure
May 24	Senior Awards Night, 6:30pm
May 25-26	Senior Final Exams
May 25	Middle School Awards Night, 6:30 pm
May 26	High School Awards, 8am-10am, Cafeteria
May 26	Band Banquet @ Lutheran Ministry in Christ on Sample Rd, 6-9pm
May 30	Holiday, No School
May 31	Senior Breakfast, 8am, cafeteria
May 31	Top 10% Dinner, 6:30 p.m., Auditorium
June 2	Class of 2011 Graduation, 7pm, Coral Springs Center for the Arts
June 7	Chorus Booster Club meeting, 7pm
June 8	Drama Booster Club meeting, 7pm
June 9	8 th Grade transition ceremony, 8am
June 9	Early Release/Last day for students
June 10	Employee planning

*****Have a safe and enjoyable summer*****

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Main phone line	954-340-4100	School Store	954-340-4123
Athletic Department	954-340-4106	HS Dean of Discipline	954-340-4125
Nurse/Clinic	954-340-4107	MS Attendance line	954-340-4128
Registrar	954-340-4108	HS Attendance line	954-340-4129
MS Dean of Discipline	954-340-4118	Guidance Office	954-340-4134
Student Activities Dir.	954-340-4120	ESE Department	954-340-4139

UPCOMING SENIOR EVENTS

May 6 – GradNite at Disney World

May 14 – Prom, 7:00 p.m., Boca Largo Country Club

May 24 -Senior Awards Night, 6:30 p.m.

May 25-26 – Senior Final Exams

May 31 - Cap & Gown Distribution & Senior Breakfast, Cafeteria, – 8:00 a.m.

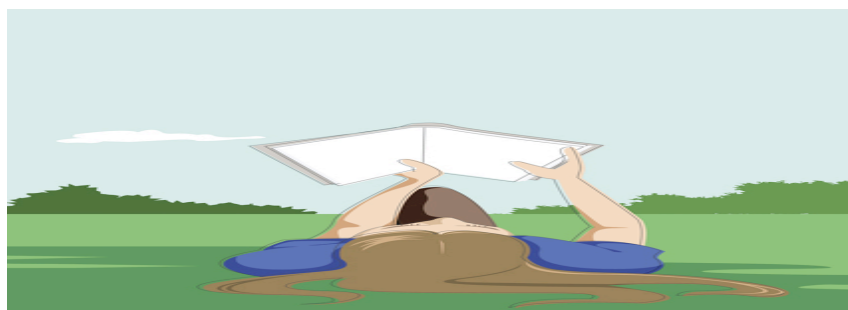
June 2 - Mandatory Graduation Rehearsal, Coral Springs Center for the Arts, 9:30 a.m.

June 2 – Graduation, Coral Springs Center for the Arts, 7:00 p.m.

Any questions on the upcoming events, please call Ms. Washington at 954-340-4130.

THIS SUMMER TAKE TIME TO CHILL, WITH BOOKS THAT ARE SURE TO THRILL!

Summer's quickly approaching, and before it does, be sure to mark your calendar to purchase your copy of the **required** summer reading book. This year, all incoming middle school students will read the 2010-11 Sunshine State Young Readers Award winning book entitled **IQ: Independence Hall** by Roland Smith, a fast-paced action thriller about two teenagers who find themselves on the adventure of their lives. All incoming high school students will read a selection from the Florida Teen Reads 2010-11 booklist entitled **Life As We Knew It** by Susan Beth Pfeffer, a thought-provoking page-turner following a family forced into survival mode after a meteor strikes the earth and life as they knew it was no longer. Paperback copies will be sold at a table during the PTSO Uniform presale Tuesday, May 10 through Thursday, May 12, 2011, from 5-7pm. Additionally, copies will be available throughout the month of July in the CSCS Bookstore, for your convenience. Purchasing your book at CSCS will not only ensure that you will be prepared to participate in the school wide summer reading activities that will be conducted in your classrooms throughout the first six weeks of the 2011-12 school year, but your purchase will also help to support our Human Relations Council organize future student-worthy workshops and events! Happy reading! The price of **IQ: Independence Hall** is \$9.00 and **Life As We Knew It** is on sale for \$8.00.



CAFETERIA NEWS

Please be advised that as of May 6th the cafeteria will no longer be accepting checks or charges as payments. All payments must be cash only. No Exceptions!



ACE ACADEMY

Effective next school year, the ACE Academy is a four year Business & Technology program that offers four tracks with industry certification. To prepare students for successful transition from high school to college/workplace/career, the Academy also provides a co-curriculum program. We encourage students to enroll as early as freshman year to ensure that they take advantage of all the benefits, and to qualify for an Executive Internship opportunity in senior year. For more information contact Mrs. Hoo at dhoo@coralspringscharter.org

ACE EXECUTIVE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Executive Interns will be making their Capstone presentations on May 17 and 18 in the CSCS Auditorium from 1:00pm to 2:30pm. This presentation culminates the program for the 2010-2011 school year. All interns have been accepted at colleges and universities.

The recipient of the ACE Maureen Berk Scholarship will be announced at Senior Awards Night on May 24, 2011.

The Executive Interns for the next school year will be announced later in May. We expect to have a full class with varied interests and we are looking forward to another successful year.

For more information, contact Mrs. Hoo at dhoo@coralspringscharter.org

HUMAN RELATIONS COUNCIL (HRC)

Purchase your child's summer reading book at our annual Book Sale during the PTSO Pre-Sale on May 10, 11 and 12. Your support provides multi-cultural and diversity events to educate our children about tolerance, which creates a safe school culture. Summer reading books will also be available in the store during the summer. Spend your \$ with us and save!! For more information, contact Mrs. Hoo at dhoo@coralspringscharter.org

BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

We are proud to announce that next year students can elect one of four tracks offered by the department: Entrepreneurship, Finance, Marketing and Web Design. Tracks are designed to give depth of knowledge and skills needed for industry certification and college/workplace/career readiness. Students are encouraged to use three of their electives meaningfully, so they qualify for many of the benefits upon completing an elected track. For more information contact Mrs. Hoo at dhoo@coralspringscharter.org

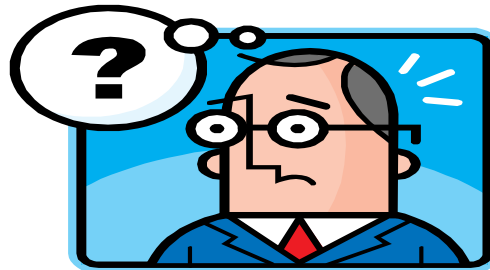
HOT TOPIC

In order to help serve your needs better, each month we will feature a question or concern that we would like your opinion on. All responses should be sent to:

feedback@coralspringscharter.org.

This month's topic: Lockers, books, I.D. distribution – Do you have any suggestions on how to streamline this process?

Last month's topic: Car-Lines and Parking - Do you have any concerns or suggestions regarding either the car-lines or parking? Have you noticed a difference with the improvements we've been making?



SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR ID'S AND LOCKERS

ATTENTION PARENTS AND STUDENTS:

This summer, ALL STUDENTS – (RETURNING AND INCOMING) -- are required to take a new ID picture for the upcoming 2011-2012 school year. When students come in to get their photo ID, they can receive their locker assignments as well. Please be advised that there is a \$5.00 locker rental fee and top lockers will be assigned on a First Come, First Serve basis. PLEASE NOTE: Students who do not RETURN all of their textbooks and do not CLEAN OUT their lockers at the end of this school year will AUTOMATICALLY receive a bottom locker for the 2011-2012 school year.

The schedule for ID pictures/lockers is as follows:

SENIORS AND JUNIORS ONLY – Monday, July 11, from 4pm – 7pm

SOPHOMORES AND FRESHMEN ONLY – Tuesday, July 12, from 4pm – 7pm

8th and 7th GRADERS ONLY – Wednesday, July 13, from 4pm – 7pm

6th GRADERS ONLY – Thursday, July 14, from 4pm – 7pm

ID photos and locker sign-up will be open to students in ALL grades on Tuesdays and Thursdays from July 19 through Aug. 11 from 5pm to 7pm.

PLEASE NOTE: Any INCOMING students new to Coral Springs Charter School from all grades MUST have their completed registration Index Card that they received from the Registrar with them in order to get their ID and locker assignment. ****THIS DOES NOT APPLY FOR RETURNING STUDENTS.****

SUMMER PARENT VOLUNTEER HOURS

If you are interested in volunteering this summer to help with locker distribution or barcoding textbooks, please contact Elizabeth Shipe at eshipe@coralspringscharter.org. Dates and times will be communicated to you by email.

TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES

So what **IS** the truth about wearing uniform pants with the CSCS logo?

Well here is the “dish...”

The truth is effective with the 2011-2012 school year, it is mandatory that all slacks/shorts bear the CSCS logo. School approved slacks/shorts purchased previous to the 2011-2012 school year must be brought to the school during pre-sale or during set summer hours for the CSCS logo to be placed on the bottoms. Pre-sale hours are: May 10-12 from 5pm-7pm. Summer hours are: Tuesday and Thursday mornings beginning July 12th through August 11th from 10am-noon or 5pm-7pm. No other dates/times will be available.

Did You Know That...?

If you can't handle the truth, the consequence for wearing the improper uniform pant is that a **PLASCO** ticket will be issued for being out of uniform, and the student will be asked to call home for a parent/guardian to bring the proper uniform pants to school.

Well folks, that is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. The CSCS Discipline Committee hopes this little tidbit will help shed some light upon some of your questions regarding our Code of Conduct and what we at CSCS expect of our students. If you have any other questions you may contact Ms. Washington, the High School Assistant Principal, Mr. Horn, the Middle School Assistant Principal, Mr. Higgins, the High School Dean or Mr. Leibowitz, the Middle School Dean.



STRIVE spotlights

The **STRIVE** characteristics for May and June are, *Respect for Authority and Patriotism*. The **STRIVE** key activities and goals will focus on Memorial Day, Positive choices week, as part of National Charter Week, Teacher Appreciation week and Mother's Day. The **STRIVE** Hero will be Tony Dungy, the first African-American Head Coach to win Super Bowl.

During the months of May and June, in addition to the **STRIVE** monthly awards, teachers will also nominate the **STRIVE** student of the Year 2010 to 2011. This award, one per grade level, will be given to the student who has consistently emulated most of the positive, **STRIVE** character traits, throughout the school year.

Our **STRIVE** Student Council will launch a competition for Middle School students in the coming weeks, to nominate the "**STRIVE**" Student of the Year". This nomination must be accompanied by a list of the attributes and contributions of their peer, and must explain the reasons why that student deserves to be recognized.

In order to make the National Charter Week, May 2-6, significant, and to impart the importance to our students, and our community, the **STRIVE** committee has planned activities to celebrate the week. Our theme is "Students have a voice, at Charter, the school of choice".

- The Art Department will design and put up a banner with the theme and will collect submissions of dolls from homeroom teachers for a Homeroom competition.
- The Language Arts Department will encourage students to write poems, raps, essays or short stories on why it is important to have choices, and what they like about being at Charter, also to be entered into a competition.
- The Science Department will discuss the importance of choice with all classes, highlighting that Charter Schools produce Quality, Value and Innovation in Education.
- All Homeroom teachers will use the theme and have their homeroom students design and dress a doll to represent a Charter School student, in any aspect of school-life, for a Homeroom competition.
- All other teachers will institute a variety of activities within their classes, during the week, to highlight positive choices - write a caring note to someone, do a good deed, make someone smile etc. Posters, highlighting the week's activities, have been hung in all hallways.



Schools/students
Taking
Responsibility for
I mportant
Values of
Excellence

for greatness

Core Honor Code



- I will do what is right
- I will do my best
- I will lift up and support others
- I will STRIVE to make positive choices



NURSES' NOTES

The year has flown by. I wanted to wish everyone a wonderful and safe upcoming summer break. There are just a few reminders that I wanted to discuss.

Those parents/guardians who have brought in medication permission forms need to know that those forms are only good for the school year. They will need to be redone at the beginning of next school year if you would like to continue medication administration for the 2011-2012 school years. If you contact me I can make sure to send the form home with your student. Any medication that is currently in my cabinet **MUST** be discarded before the school closes. I will throw out any unused medication and therefore suggest you pick it up. No student can bring home his/her medication. It must be picked up by a parent or guardian. If you have questions regarding this policy, please call me.

At the start of the school year, I will be looking for people to assist with hearing, vision and BMI screenings for next year. A certification class will be offered for each and each class is worth 5 volunteer hours. Please contact me if you would like to sign up for the classes this coming fall. The dates for these classes are not available yet but they are usually on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting in September.

Thanks to all those parents who graciously helped me even after their hours were fulfilled and for those who brought in snacks for the clinic so I would have food for our students who needed some.

I look forward to seeing you all again this coming fall, Eve Willoughby, RN School Nurse
(954-340-4107) ewilloughby@coralspringscharter.org



Broward County

Literary Fair

Congratulations to our two district-wide winners:

Ally Swayman, 1st place, for her poem, a cinquain entitled “April”
and to **Marc Carlo**, 2nd place for his fable, “The Day of the Lynx.”

Parents- Please encourage your young authors and poets (middle *and* high School) to begin writing over the summer. That will give them time to polish their work for next year’s competition. We would like to have *many* more entries next year! Please feel free to contact Mrs. Martin for more information: dmartin@coralspringscharter.org

GUIDANCE CORNER

ALGEBRA END OF COURSE EXAMS

A reminder that all students taking Algebra this year will take the End of Course Exam. This testing will occur the week of May 16th. Students will be notified of their specific date and time for the end of course exam in Algebra.

SAT/ACT

The final SAT for this year is June 4th. Students need to sign up by May 6th to take the June 4th SAT. There is a late registration with an additional fee. The website for registration is Collegeboard.com.

The final ACT for this year is June 11th. Students need to sign up by May 6th to take the June 11th ACT. There is a late registration with an additional fee. The website for registration is Act.org.

MS COURSE RECOVERY

Middle School Students who are in danger of failing a course will have an opportunity to make up courses this summer. Please contact the guidance office at 954-340-4134 for more information on course recovery.

3RD QUARTER HONOR ROLL STUDENTS

The following students are honored for their academic achievement during the 3rd quarter:

6th Grade

Getharanath Aruleeswar
Felipe Bensadoun
Maggie Boing
Emily Cavicchi
Desiree Crew
Brena D'Acunha
Tyler DePentima
Joseph DePrima
Madison Fechter
Daniela Galvez
Emily Gelinias-Darrall
Victoria India
Ryan Irwin
Kevin Jimenez

John Kallas
Adam Lipworth
Rianne Mersch
Heriberto Nieves
Daniel Perkowski
Gabriela Pineros
Rory Renzy
Rodolfo Rodriguez
Maria Rojas
Maria Sarralde
Marni Shabash
Alexander Silvestri
Andrew Wengrovitz

7th Grade

Griffen Bloshinsky
Sander Bloshinsky
Mateo Canarte
Audrey Caraher
Johncarlo Cerna

Courtney-Lau Faiella
Christopher Hoyek
Jacob Iezzi
Valerie Kessler
Melissa Litenski

Brenda Lupo
Alan Miller
Nickolas Miranda
Kimberly Naughton
Zachary Nebrasky
Nicole Pustizzi

8th Grade

Jillian Alexander
Gabriela Berner
Samantha Berner
Brian Caldwell
Alison Cavicchi
Kylie Driscoll
Shani Goldstein

9th Grade

Timothy Ramjattan
Nicolas Rincon
Cailin Shiver
Sarah Dozil
Victoria Garcia
Graciella Molinari
Eddie Velazquez
Melanie Vera
Valentina Apa
Francesca Arnillas
Marc Carlo
Ryan Chusid
Stephanie Grassi

10th Grade

Craig Dent
Miriam Haase
Tiffany Thompson
Amanda Vozzola
Derek Ulloa
Melinda Clarke
Tara Ghorbani
Gabriela Munoz
Tatiana Zoino

11th Grade

Sarah Fine
Ashram Maharaj

Lachlan Shiver
Danielle Smith
Donald Spoerr
Nathalie Thelemaque
Kathy Wiech

Gregory Ohl
Ophir Rotem
Alexander Rybakov
Nathalia Salinas
Ashley Taepakdee
Gustav VanRooyen

Su Hninyi
Melanie Horowitz
Tyler Leppig
Yennifer Noriega
Gabrielle Aurora
Camila Gonzalez
Adam Hassanein
Lauren Perlmutter
Lory Clairvil
Matthew Fierman
Brooke Smith
Edwin Velasquez

Newil Guzman
Sydney Thompson
Maryse Keeber
Austin Pillado
Brittany Sienkiewich
Erik Dundov
Samantha O'Hagan
Bailey Paulovich

Yessika Noreiga
Jason Anon

12 Grade

Pablo Aguirre
Taylor Toebe
Patryk Wiech
Keith Gerber
Bettina Mayer
Valerie Galeano
Michelle Wallace

Jillian Orden
Seth Jacobson
Aaliyah Jones
Kaelyn Lee
Alexander Lovenvirth
Joseph Melendez
Joseph Montalbano

B.R.A.C.E NEWS

Parents please check out the BRACE web page at:

<http://www.coralspringscharter.org/brace.html>

It is filled with information in regards to college, financial aid and scholarships

SERVICE HOURS

You need 80 hours to graduate. Please see me if you need help finding a place to complete your hours. You can also check out www.volunteerbroward.org. If you wish to participate in graduation your hours must be turned into Guidance by May 27th, 2011.



Attention Class of 2010 and 2011:

There is one SAT test date left for the year, June 4th. Please log onto www.collegeboard.com to register. I encourage all juniors to take the SAT or ACT before the year-ends!! Keep in mind; October 2011 is the first deadline to apply to college!!

There is only one ACT test date left this year for, June 9th. Please log onto www.act.org to register. I encourage all juniors to take the SAT or ACT before the year-ends!! Keep in mind; October 2011 is the first deadline to apply to college!!

***Senior FACT results should arrive sometime in May. We will contact those individual students as soon as we receive their scores.**

PTSO NEWS

VOLUNTEER FORMS

All volunteer forms **MUST** be turned into Louisa Barbuto at the school store **NO LATER THAN MAY 13, 2011**. You may also make a one-time donation of \$125.00 for 20 hours or \$200.00 for 30 hours.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK – MAY 2 - 6

We are in need of paper plates, water bottles, soda cans, store bought desserts and gift certificates to any store. For every \$10 you spend you will receive one parent volunteer hour. You may bring them to the front office and Mrs. Kris Miller will sign your parent volunteer form. We will need the items by Monday, May 2, 2011.

UNIFORM PRESALE/CLEARANCE SALE – MAY 10, 11, & 12

You will receive 3 hours per student if you purchase at least 2 uniform items per student. You will also save \$2.00 on each item. If you have completed your hours for this school year then it is a great way to get started for next year (**THESE ARE THE ONLY HOURS YOU MAY CARRY OVER FOR THE NEXT YEAR**). Otherwise it's a great way to finish your hours for this year.

NEED NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The PTSO is looking for new board members. We have many positions available. Elections will be held at the PTSO meeting on Tuesday, May 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. If you have any questions, please contact Michele Billisi at ptso@coralspringscharter.org.

SUMMER VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to get a jump start on your parent volunteer hours for the 2011-2012 school year, you may volunteer in the school store on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. starting July 12 – August 11. Please contact Louisa Barbuto at lbarbuto@coralspringscharter.org or 954-340-4123. Also contact Elizabeth Shipe if you are interested in assisting her with locker distribution and bar coding textbooks – eshipe@coralspringscharter.org or 954-340-4148.

SUMMER STORE HOURS



July 12 – August 11 every Tuesday and Thursday from 4:30 – 7:00 pm

Next PTSO Meeting is Tuesday, May 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.

**Coral Springs Charter School
Reading Assignment for 9th Grade
Language Arts Honors Students**

All 9th grade language arts honors students are required to read the school-wide summer novel as well as the following novel and assignment. If your student has selected high school honors for language arts in the ninth grade, or could possibly be placed in that level, the following book **will be assessed upon the student's entry into his/her language arts class.**

Alas, Babylon, by Pat Frank, which can be purchased at most bookstores.

The following assignment for Alas, Babylon is due upon returning to school in August. Should the student not have language arts until the second block in January, then the assignment will be due the first day of class.

Please select **one** of the study questions below, then write a 2- page, double-spaced essay in response to it. **Use evidence from the novel to support your assertions.**

- 1- What is the role of the female characters in the novel?
- 2- Analyze the political events that the novel portrays leading up to the nuclear exchange. Is it convincingly portrayed?
- 3- Discuss the aftermath of "The Day." How does the novel portray the breakdown of order?
- 4- What are the symbolic roles of the image of darkness and the radioactive jewelry in the story?
- 5- What is the novel's political message?

**Coral Springs Charter School
Reading Assignment for 10th Grade
Language Arts Honors Students**

All 10th grade language arts honors students are required to read the school-wide summer novel as well as the following novel and assignment. If your student has selected high school honors for language arts in the tenth grade, or could possibly be placed in that level, the following book **will be assessed upon the student's entry into his/her language arts class.**

Their Eyes Were Watching God, by Zora Neale Hurston, which can be purchased at most bookstores, is the selection for 10th grade honors.

The following assignment for Their Eyes Were Watching God is due upon returning to school. Should the student not have language arts until the second block in January, then the assignment will be due the first day of class in January.

The novel, Their Eyes Were Watching God, is the story of Janie Crawford's search for love, told in the form of a frame narrative. In the first few pages of the novel, Janie returns to her hometown of Eatonville, Florida, after nearly two years absence. Her neighbors are curious to know where she has been and what has happened to her. Janie tells her story to her friend, Phoebe Watson. The story, which actually spans nearly 40 years of Janie's life, is "framed" by an evening visit between two friends.

Directions for assignment: Type three 2-3 page essay responses to two (2) out of three (3) of the following essay topics. Be prepared to discuss the third choice even though you do not have to write an essay on it. Essays must be typed in 12 point font and double-spaced.

1. Throughout Janie's life, she searches for true, unconditional love. In her search, she experiences different kinds of love. Write an essay describing the types of love she experiences. Which type of love has the most impact on her life? In the end, has Janie experienced true love, and if so, has it changed her?
2. Write an essay comparing and contrasting the basic characters of Janie's three husbands: Long Killicks, Joe Starks, and Vergible "Tea Cake" Woods. What initially pulls her to each of the three men? How do they differ from one another? Why does each marriage come to an end? What does Janie learn from each experience?
3. Their Eyes Were Watching God is concerned with issues of speech and how speech is both a mechanism of control and a vehicle of liberation. Yet, Janie remains silent during key moments in her life. Discuss the role of silence in the book and how that role changes throughout the novel.

English IV Honors and IV Honors/AP

2011 Summer Assignment: *Pride and Prejudice*

1. Carefully read *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen. Keep a journal of observations, questions, and vocabulary as you go along. While these notes will not be collected or graded, they will help you with the assignments that go with the book.

2. Respond to one of the prompts* below in a thoughtful, focused essay of 3 typed, double-spaced pages. Use a standard font such as Tahoma, Verdana or Times New Roman, and set the font to size 10 or 11. Do not use the internet, movies, or any other sources for this assignment. The book contains everything you need. Avoid mere plot summary.

A. In literature, a physical journey - the literal movement from one place to another – can be important to the development of a work's thematic ideas. Choose two episodes involving a trip in *Pride and Prejudice* and discuss how these journeys contribute to the meaning of the work as a whole.

B. Literary scenes of weddings, parties, and other social occasions may reveal the values of the characters and the society in which they live. Select two such scenes in *Pride and Prejudice* and discuss the contribution the scenes make to the meaning of the work as a whole.

3. Be prepared for a test, quizzes, and additional work with the book when class begins (August or January, depending on your schedule).

Questions? See Mrs. Martin in Room 109.

*Prompts based on College Board AP Literature & Composition Exam released essay questions.

The Grapes of Wrath – Study Guide AP Language
By John Steinbeck

Questions #1 and #2 are to be completed prior to reading the novel!

Directions: Type the responses in well-developed paragraphs with varied sentence structures. Each item should not exceed one paragraph. This is to insure that you “think” before you “write”!

1. Before reading “Grapes”, research the era of the late 1930s and the Dust Bowl in the Oklahoma California area. Write a paragraph describing this desolate time in this area.
2. Before reading “Grapes”, research John Steinbeck and his intent for this classical writing. Write a short paragraph on your findings and be able to state and support whether you feel that Steinbeck accomplished his goal for “Grapes”.
3. Realizing that mythology, Shakespeare, and The Bible are alluded to throughout literature, **make a list or chart** and comment on the biblical allusions (references to biblical scenes, actions, characters, etc.) found in “Grapes”. You might need to review some critical analysis on “Grapes” if you are weak in this area.
4. Literature utilizes static characters, who remain the same throughout a novel or play; the reader can even predict what reaction that character will have to events in the story. Literature also depicts dynamic characters, who evolve into a “different” person by the end of the literary piece. Tom Joad is a dynamic character. In a short analysis of the character, describe the evolving of Tom.
5. In a short paragraph, tell why you think the title is a good title or a bad title for this classical literary piece.

I acknowledged receipt of this summer reading assignment. I realize it is in addition to the school-wide reading assignment. I will have the assignment ready to hand in on the first day of school August, 2011.

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