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Dear Parent/Guardian:

It is our sincere hope that Lawrence High School students enjoy their summer break and find time to explore their interests, spend time with family and friends and continue to expand their minds. While we are mindful that students need a rest from the rigors of the school year, we must also encourage students to continue to read and grow as learners.

This year we are offering our students a choice of summer reading assignments. The choices are as follows:

## **Option 1**

Students may choose any book they would like to read. There will be a list of suggested titles on the website, as well as a list of books that students should avoid, as they are read in class. Students are required to keep notes as they read to help them complete the assignment in September. A minimum of 15 note cards should be submitted.

## **Option 2**

Students may participate in the NYT Summer Reading Project. Students can obtain a provisional subscription to the digital version of the New York Times. Each student is required to read and respond online to five articles. NYT staff reviews the responses and there is a winner each week. Students receive a confirmation of each submission, which should be turned into the teacher in September. <u>https://www.nytimes.com/2018/05/02/learning/the-ninth-annual-new-york-times-summer-reading-contest.html</u>

## **Option 3**

Students are required to read two short stories and two poems. There will be suggested works on the website, as well as poems and stories to avoid. Students will submit a minimum of 15 note cards in September.

There are some courses that require specific works to be read. The students enrolled in the following courses **do not** have to complete the assignments above, however they **must** complete the readings and required assignments for the classes below:

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Honors: The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Honors: Frankenstein by Mary Shelley 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Honors: Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury 12<sup>th</sup> Grade AP: Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte

Students enrolled in these classes have an assignment that is listed on the website and will be discussed in class. If there are any questions over the summer please feel free to call Mrs. Stanley at 295-8043 or email <u>kstanley@lawrence.k12.ny.us</u>.

We wish you happy reading, relaxation and rest!

Sincerely, Dr. Jennifer Lagnado High School Principal

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