Dear Future AP English Literature and Composition Students,

Congratulations on completing the 2022-2023 school year. While I'd love to jump right into AP Lit, I think we all need the rest and refreshment that summer will bring. For now, we will focus on starting strong with a meaningful summer reading experience. This summer, I'd like you to read the following:

- 1. <u>Rebecca</u> by <u>Daphne DuMaurier</u>. As you read, I'd like you to keep a notebook (physical or digital) that contains the following:
- \* Questions Write questions about the novel for class discussion. Think of interesting or though-provoking questions for your peers and instructors to explore in depth. You are required to write 10 questions per section.
- \* Quotes Select quotes that provide insight into the text, that you are curious about, or that otherwise capture your interest. Record the page number and your reason for selecting each quote. You are required to select 10 quotes per section.
- \*Summary Write a summary (around 250-300 words) of each section that addresses setting, character, symbols, conflicts, and themes.

## Sections:

Section 1: chapters 1-10

Section 2: chapters 11-18

Section 3: chapters 19-27

2. You should read a <u>minimum of 1,000 pages</u> for this class. In addition to reading *Rebecca* (my copy is 386 pages), you should select an additional book or two that you'd like to read. No written work is required for these additional texts, just read what you would enjoy and complete the regular summer reading form. If you'd like a recommendation, *How to Read Literature Like a Professor* by Thomas C. Foster would be a great addition to your list.

I will be praying for you this summer – that your rest will be restorative, that your work will be fulfilling, and that your relationship with the Lord will be vibrant. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or want a book recommendation!

Blessings!

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