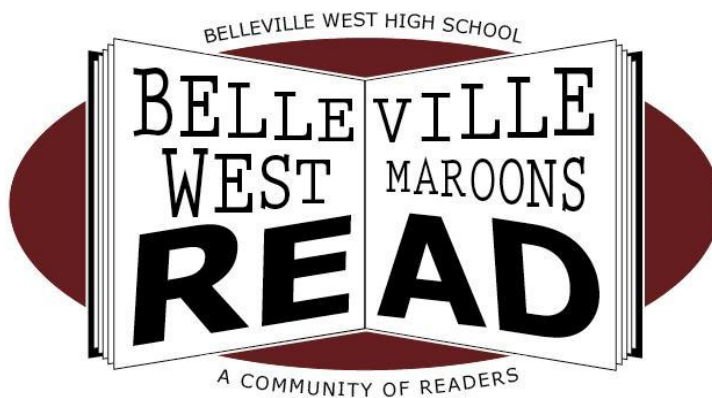


English 1-2

Honors Summer

Reading



Dear Incoming Honors Student,

Welcome to English 1-2 Honors! We are excited to meet you. We all know that reading ability is important to success and life, and as such, your coming years at Belleville West will be filled with reading experiences. Although assigned reading is important to the English curriculum, independent pleasure reading will hold an equally important place at our school. To begin to get to know you as readers and to help you get started on your journey of high school pleasure reading, we hope that you will read many books this summer.

As a required first grade for the course, we would like for you to read as much as possible this summer. You must read **at least three** books this summer. It is not required, but it is strongly encouraged that you read books from the Read for a Lifetime, Abraham Lincoln, or Sync Audio Book Lists for 2018-2019. You will find these book lists using the websites below:

Read for a Lifetime

http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/library/center_for_the_book/pdfs/rfl-booklist-2018-2019.pdf

There are 25 books to choose from on this list.

Abraham Lincoln

<https://www.islma.org/pdf/2019-Lincoln-Award-Master-List.pdf>

There are 20 books to choose from on this list.

Sync Audiobooks

<https://audiobooksync.com/>

The Sync Audiobooks website has two free audiobook downloads each week.

Please fill in the log on the back of this letter and be sure to bring it with you on the first day of school. (If you lose this letter, you can just keep track of the books you read on a piece of paper.) Since we place such importance on reading for pleasure, and since we want to also get to know you as writers, the first graded assignment of the year will be a reflective project about your summer reading.

If you have any questions, you can e-mail us at athurnau@bths201.org or sursani@bths201.org during the summer.

We look forward to meeting you next school year!

Ms. Thurnau and Ms. Ursani

The logo features a stylized open book with a maroon cover. The pages are white and display the text 'BELLE WEST MAROONS READ' in a black, serif font. 'BELLE' and 'VILL' are on the top line, 'WEST' and 'MAROONS' are on the second line, and 'READ' is on the third line. The book is set against a maroon background with a white border. Below the book, the text 'A COMMUNITY OF READERS' is written in a smaller, black, serif font.

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