During the summer all students are expected to read 3 books. We have selected 5 titles for students to choose from.

**Summer reading constitutes a significant portion of each student’s first quarter English Grade and no excuses for failure to complete this assignment will be accepted.**

**Directions:**

1) Check-off the three books that you have selected to read over the summer.

- [ ] Nothing But The Truth- AVI
- [ ] The Crossover-Kwame Alexander
- [ ] Delirium – Lauren Oliver
- [ ] The Kiss of Deception-Mary E. Pearson
- [ ] The Enemy-Charlie Higson

2) You will read three books therefore you will complete three writing assignments. You must submit one narrative and one essay and one book report. You may pick which type of writing to complete for which book.

3) Each writing assignment is required to be between 1-2 pages in length.

4) You may handwrite, or more preferably, type your responses to the writing prompts. You will also be sent the assignments via your NHCS Tech Google Drive account.

5) Upon returning to the school you will take a book quiz on all three of the selected books. To receive credit you must pass each quiz with a 70% or higher.

Happy reading and writing!

Ms. Demijohn
**Nothing but the Truth** - AVI

**Narrative**
Write a narrative that mimics the genre and style of *Nothing but the Truth*. Your narrative must include a universal truth that imparts a moral lesson to the reader.

**Essay**
How do Philip’s lies create tension between all of the characters that he has lied to? Be sure to include evidence from the text and support your evidence with solid reasoning.

**Book Report**
1. What was this book’s greatest strength and what was its most serious flaw?
2. Analyze one choice the character made in the story that impacted the plot. What choice did the character make? Why did he/she make it? What was the result of that choice?
3. What is one question that you would ask the author about this book? Why would you ask it?

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**The Crossover** - Kwame Alexander

**Narrative**
Write a continuation of the story where Josh and JB give up basketball because their dad is no longer there to give them advice and the boys don’t know what to do.

**Essay**
There are situations that have caused Jordan to become jealous of his brother. Explain how Jordan best demonstrates this jealously.

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**Kiss of Deception** - Mary E. Pearce

**Narrative**
Write a letter to Lia from Lia’s mother, explaining to Lia why her mother felt she had to keep the special powers/sight from her.

**Essay**
Compare and contrast the similarities and differences between Kaden and Rafe. Who is the more compelling love interest for Lia? Why? Give evidence to support your answer.

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### The Enemy - Charlie Higson

**Narrative**

*The Enemy* is a post-apocalyptic type novel that is packed with action, drama, and most of all, suspense. Write your own suspense story where something terrible happens to society (like adults turning into zombies)! How do the main characters survive?

**Essay**

Throughout the novel, the kids are faced with challenging decisions and sacrifices that they must make in order to survive. Maxie says, “We can’t lose all we believe in. Our sense of right and wrong. Just to survive” Write an essay in which you analyze the themes of “rightness” and “survival.” Did the kids make decisions in order to survive that sacrificed their ideas of rightness, or not? Use examples and evidence from the text to support your answer.

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### Delirium - Lauren Oliver

**Narrative**

Throughout the story, Lena discovers that being able to feel love is worth the pain. At one point, Hana says, “You can’t be happy unless you’re unhappy sometimes, right?” Write your own original story where the main character of the story learns the same lesson.

**Essay**

At the beginning of the story, Lena says that the words *I love you* are “strange and terrible” (p. 40). Why does Lena say this? How do Lena’s feelings about those words change during the course of the story? Or

One of the major themes in *Delirium* is lies and deceit. Think about the government, Alex, Lena, and Lena’s family and friends. In what ways was this theme present throughout the story? What affect did these lies have upon the plot of the story?

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