

Title: Warren Hills Summer Reading – Incoming 7th Graders

Message from the Warren Hills English Language Arts Department:

Given the change to learning, teaching, and assessment over the past few weeks we have looked at all of our traditional summer assignments with a reflective eye. This year we are going to use a Summer English Enrichment Experience in place of the traditional summer assignment that we have given. One of the major changes is that there will be no mandatory assignment distributed at the beginning of the summer, and no assignment will be collected and graded in the fall. Students and their families will have the option of participating in the Summer English Enrichment Program if they wish.

At the heart of the experience is our desire that students continue to read over the summer. To facilitate that, we have provided resources for students and parents to find books that meet the needs and interests of their children. Students may want to explore a passion topic of theirs, or read from their favorite authors, or find something that will let them escape to another place and time.

This also acknowledges that remote learning has been stressful for students and their families, and that some of them need a break. We feel this new approach is a more reasonable support for summer literacy this year, and it also allows us more time to build a future summer literacy program that will be reflective of the changes we will be making at Warren Hills. It also provides for maximum flexibility for our faculty to re-open school and assess learning loss as per forthcoming guidelines from the NJDOE. We would hate to have students complete an assignment over the summer only to have teachers unable to honor the effort and work put in because of what the reopening guidelines may entail.

The link to the Summer English Enrichment Experience is live now at:
<https://www.warrenhills.org/Page/8977>