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AP Lit Students:

Hi! I'm so glad you've decided to take this course, and I'm already tremendously proud of you for embracing the idea that reading great books and talking about them with other smart, interesting, and curious people can enrich your soul, and make your life more colorful, vibrant, and joyful! The ways in which we think about different and diverse stories are really the most important parts of this experience. Reading and writing are just how we receive and discuss those stories.

In that spirit, Barnegat High School is presenting a Summer Reading Challenge this year. This course is the pinnacle of literary scholarship in our school, and as such, **it is my requirement that you will participate in the challenge which encourages you to read across different genres and categories of literature. The challenge can be found by clicking [here](#). You can also go to the Curriculum page at barnegatschools.com, and find it there. In addition to submitting the required form, you should also take a fun or creative (and, of course, appropriate) picture of yourself with one of the FICTION books you complete, and send that picture to me at akeffner@barnegatschools.com prior to the start of the school year. Let the picture show a little bit about who you are or how you think about the world. Whichever book you choose to submit will be the book you will talk to the class about in a brief bookshare conversation that we will have throughout the first week of classes.**

There, that's it! Above all things, reading should be about taking in, thinking about, and sharing great stories, so that's how we'll begin our year together. Just be sure to be diligent about participating in the challenge, sending me the pictures, and being ready to share a bit about your favorite summer read when September rolls around. You can always reach out to me over the summer if you're having trouble, want some recommendations, etc. Have the best vacation, and I'll see you in September!

Mr. Keffner