

# Decatur High School's

## Dual Enrollment Literature Summer Assignment

**Required Reading: You will read the selections under the grade you will be entering.**

### 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Selections

*Lord of the Flies* Golding

*How to Read Literature Like a Professor* Foster

### 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Selections

Of Mice and Men Steinbeck

Thank You for Arguing (3<sup>rd</sup> Edition) Heinrichs

### **Assignments**

Select and purchase a composition notebook to use as a reading journal.

Use the composition notebook to take notes on each chapter of *How to Read Literature like a Professor* or *Thank You for Arguing*. You will have an assignment to complete in class during the first two weeks of school that will include these notes. Journal entries should include the chapter titles and subjects along with a short summary of each chapter (5-6 sentences per chapter). This introduction to reading literature will help you with the critical thinking and analyzing you will be asked to do in our dual enrollment classroom.

You will also use your reading journal to take notes as you read the assigned novel. Taking notes as you read will be helpful to prepare for the in-class essay you will write when we return to school. Use your journal as a space to think about the novel and to track the development of ideas, setting, characters, tone/mood, literary devices, theme, etc. Also, pay particular attention to the relevant themes and how they coincide with our own society.

The journal (composition notebook) will count as your summer reading assignment and will be entered as a test grade in INow. Be prepared to submit it on the first day of class.