

**Good Morning,**

**Please see the letter below from our English Department Staff.**

Dear Parents,

To nurture a love of reading and broaden their literary repertoire, the English department is requiring the Marquette, upper-level students to read a classic novel over the summer. **All students, except incoming freshman, will read ONE novel from the choices below (based on their upcoming grade level).** If your student has already read one of the books, please have them choose the second option.

**Upcoming Sophomores:**

*To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee

*Night* by Elie Wiesel

**Upcoming Juniors:**

*Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury

*Ethan Frome* by Edith Wharton

**Upcoming Seniors for English IV:**

*Metamorphosis* by Franz Kafka

*1984* by George Orwell

During the first week of school, students will be given a writing prompt over their chosen book. This will be used to assess their writing skills and to provide the teacher insights on what the student needs to concentrate on during the semester. **Since the books will not be taught directly, there will be no test over the entire book.** Please encourage your child to read a novel as it is to their benefit to start the year off well by demonstrating knowledge of the material and a good work ethic.

Sincerely,

The English Department Staff