

Dear Incoming Seniors,

We are excited to inform you that this year you will be able to choose between two electives for your English class. We will be sending out an email with the options from which to choose. Your summer reading will depend on the class you choose.

**In addition to the prescribed reading for your course, please read one novel from the list of choices sent to you via email and be prepared to discuss these novels in class and write about it in September.**

You can obtain these novels from Amazon, Barnes and Noble and other places where fine works of literature are sold. You may also find them on iBooks or your Nook.

### AP English

Please read all three of the following works in order to prepare for you AP class **as well as one novel from the list of choices sent to you via email and be prepared to discuss these works in class and write about them in September.**

*Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley

*How to Read Literature Like a Professor*, by Thomas C. Foster.

*The Dubliners* by James Joyce.

The following assignment will be due during the first week of school: Choose one short story from *The Dubliners* and write an essay in which you analyze your short story using methods from any three chapters from *How to Read Literature Like a Professor*.

### Block A Summer Reading

Course: "When the Fairy Tale Ends: Plays About Marriage"

Reading: *The Importance of Being Earnest* by Oscar Wilde

Course: "Monster Stories: Gothic Literature"

Reading: *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley

### Block B Summer Reading

Course: "The Literary Feast"

Reading : *The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake* by Aimee Bender.

Course: "(Mostly) True Crime: Crime, Punishment, and Innocence in Literature"

Reading: *American Fire: Love, Arson, and Life in a Vanishing Land* by Monica Hesse

Have a wonderful summer and happy reading!