

Summer Reading Assignment
English III Academic

Hello to all! It has been a while since we were together. The exciting news is – there are just two years to go!

In order to get ready for our study of American Literature, here is your assignment for the summer:

Read 3 of the following short stories (they can be found online):

“Rip Van Winkle”- Washington Irving

“The Minister’s Black Veil” – Nathaniel Hawthorne

“The Cask of the Amontillado”-Edgar Allen Poe

“The Secret Life of Walter Mitty”- James Thurber

“Law and Order “ – O.Henry

“A Rose for Emily” – William Faulkner

Then choose one of the following prompts to complete:

An essay discussing the importance of darkness in the American short stories you read. Focus on Setting and/or Character. You must use textual evidence to support your answer.

OR

An essay which answers the question: Can people hide from their secrets? You must use textual evidence to support your answer

Essays must be three paragraphs long and include a hook, a thesis, and transitions. Word count should be between 300-400 words. ****Remember to include evidence from the stories to support your point. If you copy something straight from the story, use quotation marks. This will count as your first grade of the semester.** If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at carrollb@vancecharter.org.

All essays are due August 27, 2018 (the first full day Monday).

I look forward to seeing all of you next year! Have a wonderful, safe summer!

Mrs. C