



Dear Parents:

Your student has requested **Advanced Placement English IV at Brazoswood High School** for the upcoming school year. The purpose of this course is to offer promising students challenging work that will prepare them for the Advanced Placement Literature and Composition exam.

In the Brazosport Independent School District, Advanced Placement English courses are offered to eleventh and twelfth grade students. Upon successful completion of coursework, students may take AP examinations administered each year in May, and if successful, they will be awarded college English credit accepted by most universities. The Pre-AP courses offered in grades 7-11 develop reading, writing, and thinking skills necessary for success in AP courses. Reading selections for these courses represent concepts and/or reading selections frequently cited on Advanced Placement examinations.

Brazosport ISD is assigning summer reading in these courses to begin the year with a common dialogue, to expose students to high- quality authors and texts, to inspire critical thinking, and to maintain the standard of an advanced curriculum.

Your student is required to read **ONE** of the following books. Books may be checked out from your child's current English Language Arts teacher, obtained through the public library, or purchased independently.

(Some of these books may contain mature language and content. Parents, please assist your child in selecting a book that you find appropriate.)

- 1. All the Pretty Horses by Cormac McCarthy
- 2. The Jungle by Upton Sinclair
- 3. 1984 by George Orwell
- 4. The Invisible Man by H.G. Wells

Please encourage your child to complete this reading assignment in order to ensure a successful beginning of the school year.

Thank you for your cooperation and continuing interest in your student's education.

Sincerely,

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