



PARKLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Parkland High School

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Dear Incoming 9th Grade Students and Families,

For those of you with children who intend to take Honors and/or AP courses during the 2020-2021 school year, please know that some of these courses require completion of a summer assignment. These assignments are designed to help students enhance their reading and writings skills while also providing them with a springboard for new learning in the fall. However, since the COVID Pandemic continues to impact our lives, note that some courses will not have a required assignment despite being listed in the course book. In addition, students will need to use their PSD issued Chromebook to complete their assignment(s). Note that some assignments may require reading of a book(s), which families can secure through the Parkland Community Library and/or online. The PHS Library will not be open to the public during the summer of 2021.

The following courses have a required summer assignment that must be completed before the first day of school on Monday, August 30, 2021:

1. **In English-** Honors English 9 will not have a required summer assignment this year. However, all students are encouraged to read at least one title from the 9th Grade Reading List, which is available:
https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1557322799/parklandsdorg/glw2fkaswrjg4katwrzf/9th_grade_summer_readlist.pdf
2. **In Math-** There are required summer assignments in the following courses: College Algebra Honors, Precalculus Honors, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, and Advanced Topics in Calculus.
3. **In Social Studies-** Your son/daughter will have a required assignment for American Studies 1 Honors. In addition, if your child plans to take AP Human Geography, an elective course, this also has a required summer assignment.
4. **In Science-** None of our 9th Grade Offerings (i.e.- Earth Science Honors, Biology Honors) require summer assignments for the Summer of 2021. In addition, for students who might be eligible to take AP Physics 1 in the coming school year, there is no summer assignment for this course.

All assignments are accessible through Schoology in the group, "Summer Assignments." To access these, your child must do the following:

1. Log into Schoology, <http://parkland.schoology.com>, using your Parkland ID # and Schoology password. (You may also access Schoology by going through the Clever portal using the "Quick Links" tool at the top of the PHS webpage.)
2. Once logged in, click on "Groups" at the top of the page.
3. Click "Join" at the bottom and enter this access code: B5XDR-S67D6
4. Follow instructions on the PHS Summer Assignments Group Page to access your summer assignment(s).

For courses that have a required summer assignment as listed above, all students, including those currently registered and those who transfer into these courses after the start of the school year, must complete this work. This also applies to students who are participating in summer enrichment courses who plan to advance to the next honors/AP level course in the sequence next school year. There are no exceptions.

If you have a question about an assignment, please communicate with the teacher listed as the contact for the subject area assignment. Any Schoology questions should be directed to Mrs. Lauren Will, will@parklandsd.org, and other questions should be directed to me at the high school, bennick@parklandsd.org. Thank you for your cooperation, and we wish you and your child a healthy, safe, and productive summer.

Sincerely,

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