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Dear Future 9th Grade English Students:

The following is the required summer reading and assignment for **ALL students entering ENGLISH 1 OR ENGLISH 1H** in the fall. You will be held accountable for completing your work over the summer. This will be your first assignment in Aeries.

Complete the following prior to the first day of school:

1. REQUIRED READING: *Ghost* by Jason Reynolds

You can access the [book here](#) or you can check it out from the library.

You can access the [audiobook here](#).

If you are interested in reading the Spanish version, *Fantasma*, click [here](#) to view options and availability.

2. REQUIRED ASSIGNMENT: Choose **one** from below.

1. Throughout the novel, *Ghost* has a number of adults who act as advocates for him: Mr. Charles, Coach, his mom, and even Principal Marshall. Consider the importance of each of these figures in *Ghost*'s life. Then write an essay OR prepare a written speech about a trusted adult in your own life. Why do you trust this person? Your essay or speech should be double-spaced, Times New Roman, size 12, 1" margins.

2. Jason Reynolds uses world records as a framing motif in the novel. Research world records and create a poster about some of the most interesting world records that you find. If you were going to try to break a world record, which one would you attempt? Include with your poster one typed paragraph (double-spaced, Times New Roman, size 12, 1" margins) explaining your choice.

Enjoy your summer! We look forward to seeing you. Eagles SOAR!

Sincerely,

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