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SENIOR ENGLISH - Summer Reading

Directions

Students will read “The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants” by Anna Brashares.

The book focuses on the importance of female friendships no matter where life may take you. The written component of this project is four letters written to four different friends in your life. You can reflect on memories, talk about hopes for the future, or simply praise them for the reasons you enjoy their friendship.



Letters should be submitted in classic letter format-

- heading (date)
- greeting
- body
- closing
- signature

Each letter should be a full college-lined page in length.

Each letter should connect to themes of friendship. If you do not want to say your friends real name, please feel free to use a pseudonym.

The letters should be paperclipped together with a creative homemade title page (think construction paper and stickers) with your name and semester on the bottom right of the page.

All letters will be collected the first day of school in homeroom regardless of semester the student is taking English.

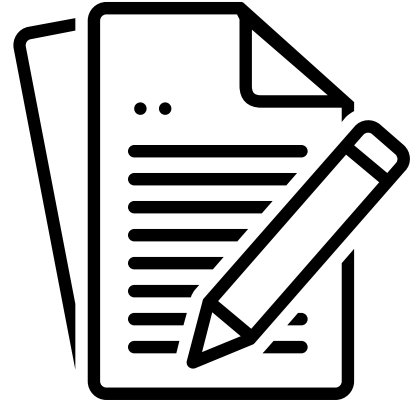
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SENIOR ENGLISH - College Essay

Directions

Students should come to class with a working draft of a potential college essay. All students who take English during the fall semester, we will use class time to work on their essays. If a student has English in the spring semester, I will be holding weekly essay workshops during activity period from September through October



College Essays should be personal and thoughtful. It is often advised to NOT write about a sports injury, a self-explanatory leadership position that is already on your resume, or something that is overly personal and hard to put into the word requirement such as dealing with a death or a health issue that is ongoing. It is recommended that the essays feature something about the writer that will showcase who they are- often students think “well, nothing about me is that interesting” - it is in your everyday life that you might find your essay.

Topics to consider:

A routine or ritual that has become important to you

A leadership position in a club that people might not have heard of

A personal challenge that is important to you (from learning Spanish to trying every milkshake at Nifty Fifties before you graduate)

A connection to a show or movie or hobby

Basically, they want to know what makes you, you!

500 word draft will be due to work on during class time the first full week of school. Please come prepared.