ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY

LITERATURE OF CONTROVERSY

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ASSIGNMENT 1:

Why do humans burn books? - Choice Literary Fiction

DIRECTIONS

Please select one book from the list below to read before the school year begins. You should choose a book from this list that you are interested in as you will use this book for your first essay.

The Color Purple by Alice Walker (ISBN 978-014313569)
The Bluest Eye by Toni Morrison (ISBN 978-0307278449)

Some books discuss mature/adult content or may have graphic scenes. You are encouraged to discuss your book choice with your parent(s)/guardian(s) and read reviews of each book to ensure it is a proper fit.

- Purchase a new or used unmarked copy of the book.
- Read your book!
- As you read, annotate moments in the text that stand out to you as well as how different literary elements enhance your understanding of the story or add emotion to the story.
    - Remember, annotations don't count unless they are written out! Please avoid over-relying on reactions while reading ("Wow" "Crazy." "What???"). Engage with the text by writing out your thoughts about what you are consuming.

Due the first day of class.