



# Annandale High School

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Dear Rising Ninth Grader,

Welcome to Annandale High School and to the English Pre-IB Honors program! We commend you on your choice to take a challenging, but rewarding path to start off your high school career. We know fall and the start of school are only remote concepts for all of us right now. Nevertheless, we want to encourage you to get started early on the summer reading assignment because it will be among the first things we do in the fall.

The summer reading assignment for the English 9 Pre-IB Honors program is to complete the following based on *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee (Copies of the book can be found at the public library, in bookstores or you can borrow a copy from AHS.):

1. Fill out the Anticipation Guide (pre-reading ONLY)
2. Answer the Historical Context questions
3. Answer Study Guide questions as you read
  - A. Last names A-L answer all ODD questions
  - B. Last names M-Z answer all EVEN questions

**ALL of the above will be due on the first day of school** and 10% will be deducted for each day late after then. TYPE or neatly write answers to the study guide packet using blue or black ink. The Study Guide includes over a hundred questions, which we know is a lot, but most of the questions are pretty simple. You are responsible for answering only **half** of these questions by the first day of school. You will eventually be responsible for answering the rest of the questions within the first week or two of school, so feel free to get a jump start by answering all of the questions. This way you will be off to a head start! Additionally, when school begins, you will be assigned more work concerning the novel, so make sure you read carefully and pace yourself so you are not left with lots of reading to do right before school starts. Read early in the summer and know that you are starting high school with good time management skills which are important for all classes in Pre-IB and IB. Note: You may work with friends on this assignment for help, but all answers must be individual. Credit will not be given to answers that have been copied directly from another student. You are on your honor! Good luck with the summer reading assignment. We look forward to meeting you in the fall and to learning about your reaction to this great work of literature.

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