

May 1, 2017

Dear LHS AP/IB student,

Welcome to AP Language and Composition or IB English Language and Literature for 2017-18 school year. Below you will find information about the summer assignment as well as required textbook information. Please read this letter in its entirety, and contact Ms. Bolger in room A121 or Mrs. Webb in A115 and Ms. Kott in B105 before the end of the school year or email [stacie.bolger@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:stacie.bolger@jeffco.k12.co.us) , [jennifer.webb@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:jennifer.webb@jeffco.k12.co.us), or [lauren.kott@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:lauren.kott@jeffco.k12.co.us) over the summer if you have any questions.

We look forward to a fun and productive school year in the fall.

Sincerely,

Ms. Bolger, Mrs. Webb, Ms. Kott

### **Textbook Information**

We will have a limited number of copies of the required textbook available to check out from the school in the fall. These copies will be used and will have writing in them. Students are expected to complete detailed annotations as demonstration and monitoring of critical thinking while reading. Students who check out a book will need to complete their annotations, including copying quotes from the text, on separate sheets of paper by completing dialectical journals. If you prefer to make annotations directly in the book, you will need to purchase your own copy of the book. Students who use a school copy are responsible for the text and will be fined the full purchase price of a new text (\$70.00) if the text is lost or damaged. We will begin using this book the first week of school and you **must** have it at that time.

#### ***The Language of Composition, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.***

Renee Shea, Lawrence Scanlon, and Robin Dissin Aufses. Published by Bedford/St. Martin's.

**ISBN – 978-0-312-67650-6**

In addition, carefully read and complete the summer assignment included in this letter.

## **Assignment**

Choose one of the following texts:

*In Cold Blood*, by Truman Capote

ISBN 10: 0679745580

**OR**

*The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*, by Rebecca Skloot

ISBN 10: 1400052181

Select ten quotes from throughout the text that you feel are particularly meaningful to you or that you feel are significant and relevant to the text's overall message/purpose. Record the quote and provide a clear explanation of why you selected it. DO NOT merely paraphrase the quote or provide plot summary.

You may want to organize your assignment into a double-entry format where you divide your paper into two columns. The right column contains the quotes (including page numbers). The left column contains your response.

The assignment is due on the first day of school.