

AP Summer Reading Assignment

Dear incoming Brook Hill junior –

Congratulations on completion of your sophomore year! I am excited about next year and hope that after a fun-filled summer, we will all come back refreshed and ready for another great year at The Brook Hill School. In order to get a head start on the fall semester, please do the following assignments before returning:

- I. Read and annotate (underline and mark passages) the non-fiction book *The Mayflower* by Nathaniel Philbeck. (ISBN: 978-0143111979).
- II. Write a 1 ½ - 2 page (typed) reaction to one aspect of the book (due at the end of the second full week of school).

Please read closely and mark passages, lines, and sections of the book that you think are significant or surprising. Make notes in the margins. (Yes, I will check and give a daily grade for your annotations!) At the end of the second full week of school, your response essay will be due. Choose one event or person, for example, to analyze. The analysis should contain your personal review or opinion of the event or person in the book, with sufficient explanation to support your view. The essay should be your original work, and you should incorporate at least three quotes from the book to support the analysis. Type the final copy; save it on your computer so that you may make revisions after we edit the essay. Use MLA typing format for the paper.

Again – have a restful summer. I'm looking forward to getting to know each one of you! Have a great summer, and I will see you in the fall.

Ms. O'Brien