

## Pocono Mountain School District

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English Language Arts Honors 10 Summer Reading Assignment

Welcome to Honors 10! Honors classes are designed to be more rigorous and challenging than the required English Language Arts courses. Please be aware that Honors English requires more complex reading and writing assignments throughout the school year, as well as a summer reading assignment. A study guide is available at <a href="www.pmsd.org">www.pmsd.org</a> on the Academics link under "Summer Reading." Since this is an independent reading assignment, completion of the study guide is highly recommended.

Students who have enrolled in Honors 10 will be required to read Nathaniel Hawthorne's *The Scarlet Letter*. This stark allegory of adultery, guilt and social repression is considered a foundational work of American literature. This book is available through libraries, bookstores and online vendors. It is also available for free at:

http://www.pagebypagebooks.com/Nathaniel\_Hawthorne/The\_Scarlet\_Letter/ or http://www.literatureproject.com/scarlet-letter/;http://www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/33

An assessment of this work will occur during the first week of school, so please be sure to prepare carefully and be ready with questions you may have about the novel when classes begin in the fall.

Enjoy *The Scarlet Letter*, and have a safe and restful summer.

Sincerely,

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