Welcome to English I Honors with Ms. Errico (merrio@ltps.org), Mr. Lehnert (dlehnert@ltps.org), and Ms. Palombo (epalombo@ltps.org).

You are required to read Lord of the Flies and Of Mice and Men for your English I Honors Course, along with the 9th grade required reading, The Book Thief. Along with reading the books, the following assignments must be completed for Monday, September 9th. Work that is late will be reviewed, but will not be awarded credit.

New to LHS? Students who enroll in the district after August 1st will have until October 1st to complete this assessment. Please contact your instructor in September for guidance.

PLEASE READ ALL DIRECTIONS THOROUGHLY

1. Annotations: For LOTF and OMAM, you will be asked to annotate in two different styles.
   • For OMAM, you will be asked to track content, literary terms, themes, etc. on a GOOGLE DOC, which will be uploaded to turnitin.com. If you do not yet have a .info account, please record the notes in an electronic format that can uploaded when you receive your account.
   • For LOTF, you are required to track the same information, but you will use POST IT notes. These Post it notes will be assessed as a quiz grade.
     a. Track themes throughout the novel. Pick quotes and analyze them.
        o LOTF - coming of age, loss of innocence, empathy, masculinity, civilization vs savagery, inherent evil vs inherent good, rules/laws, (gender, social class, race)
        o OMAM - loneliness, prejudice, the American Dream (loss of dreams), friendship vs companionship, characterization, themes, symbols, connections, setting, literary devices ➔ annotate these
     b. Annotate important passages from both OMAM and LOTF
     c. Your own annotations- THINK ANALYTICALLY, do not annotate about plot!

2. Two TIQA paragraphs
   Quick refresher: a TIQA paragraph is one in which you present the Topic, Introduce the Quote, and then Analyze your evidence. You will be writing a TIQA paragraph for each book.
   o Use your annotations to create your Of Mice and Men TIQA paragraph. This should be submitted with your notes by September 9th.
   o Be prepared for an in-class assignment for Lord of the Flies during the first week of school.

Read through the following prompt and develop a well-written TIQA paragraph. Your topic sentence should pose an argument and you should further support that argument with quotations from the text and your analysis. Think about the questions provided and ANALYZE. This should be TYPED and in MLA format.

Of Mice and Men TIQA Prompt:
Loneliness is a dominant theme in Of Mice and Men. Most of the characters are lonely and searching for someone who can serve as a companion or act as an audience. Discuss the examples of character’s loneliness, the efforts of the character in search of companionship, and their varying degrees of success. What do you think John Steinbeck is saying about loneliness and isolation?