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Dear Addison Trail Student:

Welcome to Addison Trail High School! You are enrolled in FRESHMAN HONORS ENGLISH. We are so excited to meet you! You will be receiving honors credit in English, which will be more challenging and will be more in-depth course work.

Summer reading is a requirement of the English honors program for all four years at Addison Trail. If you lose your copy of this letter, all needed information can be found on the ATHS English Department web page: <https://www.dupage88.net/site/page/124>.

Students will be reading William Golding's Lord of the Flies. Each student will need a copy of the book (ISBN#0399501487). This novel can be purchased at many local bookstores. There are also copies at the Addison Public Library available to check out. We will be using these books during school in the fall.

Please follow the steps below to get started:

1. Read and annotate *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding.
2. Complete 2 journals using Google docs.
 - a. Journal Prompt Options (see next page)
 - b. You will submit your journals to your teacher once school begins.
 - c. There will also be a multiple choice test over the novel during the first few weeks of school.

All journals will be due Friday, August 25th.

If you have any questions, please reach out using the email addresses listed below.

Sincerely,

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English 9 Honors

Summer Reading Journal Assignment

You will **choose 2 of the 4** journal prompts and create a ~300 word typed response that utilizes textual evidence from the novel with MLA internal citations (Help with MLA Citations can be found through Purdue's Online Writing Lab website: https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/mla_style/mla_formatting_and_style_guide/mla_in_text_citations_the_basics.html). The response should demonstrate higher-level thinking and fully answer the prompt.

Choose 2 of the 4 prompts below and title your response with the question.

1. Are individuals born "good" or "evil" and are good people capable of bad behavior, and vice versa?
2. Is our behavior always the result of choice?
3. If you were a character under the circumstances of the story how might you behave?
4. Is it always best to sacrifice your own wants and needs for the common good of a community?

Create one Google doc and identify each response with the prompt as its title. Please use Times New Roman, size 12 font, and double-space the document.

This will be submitted to your teacher's Google Classroom and turnitin.com when we are in school together. Your teacher will help you navigate these platforms.

Use your annotations to help with your journals. You should make margin notes on characters, setting, themes, figurative language & the impact of it (metaphors, similes, symbolism, personification, etc.), questions, unfamiliar vocabulary words (with their definitions!), and other notes that help with your understanding of the text. You will need this book with annotations during the first few weeks of school.

If you have checked the book out from the library, you may use post-it notes and/or write your comments with page numbers on separate pieces of paper.