

**To: AP English 11 Students of the 2017-2018 School Year**

**From: Mr. Shoemaker**

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Welcome to our class! As you're no doubt aware, AP English 11 (English Language and Composition) is a rigorous, college-level composition class. You should expect to do plenty of thinking, reading and writing followed by more thinking, reading and writing. Get the picture? To start things off on the right foot, you'll need to complete the Summer Reading Assignment. Sounds like fun, you say? That's right!

**BEFORE YOU LEAVE** for the summer, you must stop by Darby's Media Center and check out a copy of the textbook *Everything's an Argument* by Lunsford, Ruskiewicz, and Walters. Over the course of the summer, you'll be expected to critically read and annotate the first five chapters of this book. This reading will give you a basic understanding of the principles of rhetoric which will form the basis of our studies throughout the year.

**When you return** to school in August you should expect to take an objective test and produce an essay that will assess your comprehension of this material. These assessments will be a significant portion of your first quarter grade.

If you have any questions about this assignment, see Mr. Shoemaker before you leave for the summer. I can generally be found in room 223. If I'm out grabbing a cup of coffee, try my email at [Richard\\_Shoemaker@hboe.org](mailto:Richard_Shoemaker@hboe.org). Should any questions arise during the summer (how could they possibly?), you may email me or you will find these instructions posted on the Hilliard City School District's web page.

Enjoy your summer, have fun, play hard, and READ HARDER!