

Northwood AVID 12 Summer Assignment

Dear former AVID 11 student,

Welcome to AVID 12! Be aware that you are closer to being in college than anyone else in the building. During AVID 12 we focus most of our time working on college skills. During the summer it is therefore required that you begin the college process. Attached is a checklist for you to complete before arriving back at school on August 31, 2009. Most of the work is also required of you from Guidance and the Registrar in the Gladiator Packet, so we are killing two birds with one stone. For every assignment that you complete you are required to get your parent's signature. This way your parents know how far AHEAD you are in the college process.

You must also complete your AP packets over the summer. Remember that every assignment you do not do over the summer will be additional work for you to complete once school begins in addition to the other assignments your teachers create. Your AP summer assignments will count as an assignment in your AVID 12 class this fall. Make sure you complete ALL OF IT!

In addition to this long list, you are also required to find one book that interests you and YOU MUST READ IT! If partway through you no longer like the book, put it down and find something better! Find a book that you want to read FOR FUN! It is important that throughout this stressful time in your life you make time to do things that you enjoy, and that you make time to expand your interests not just those related to your studies. This book CAN be a book from your Required Reading list provided by the English department. Make time for yourself. When we return to school in the fall of 2009 you will have an assignment to do based on one book you read this summer.

Other than that, have a great summer! I will see you very soon!

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Items to be completed and included in your **COLLEGE FOLDER**:

- High School credits (Gladiator Packet) COMPLETED ____ PARENT INITIALS ____
- Create Top 7-10 list of colleges that you are applying to COMPLETED ____ PARENT INITIALS ____
**This includes the name of the college, Admissions phone number, contact person (with phone number and email address), programs of study that interest you, and a REAL REASON why you are considering this school.
- Fill out common application form COMPLETED ____ PARENT INITIALS ____
<https://www.commonapp.org>
PRINT COPY TO TURN IN
- Update High School Resume with SAT/ACT high scores COMPLETED ____ PARENT INITIALS ____
OR registered exam dates COMPLETED ____ PARENT INITIALS ____
- Make an appointment with your counselor and parents to discuss College plans COMPLETED ____ PARENT INITIALS ____
- Apply for AT LEAST 1 scholarship print out proof COMPLETED ____ PARENT INITIALS ____
- FINISH ALL SSL REQUIREMENTS COMPLETED ____ PARENT INITIALS ____
- Student questionnaire (Gladiator Packet) COMPLETED ____ PARENT INITIALS ____
- Parent questionnaire (Gladiator Packet) COMPLETED ____ PARENT INITIALS ____

Your **COLLEGE FOLDER** must include **in this order**

- High School Resume INCLUDED ____
- High School credit (Gladiator Packet) INCLUDED ____
- Top 7-10 list of colleges that you are applying to. **This includes the name of the college, Admissions phone number, contact person (with phone number and email address), programs of study that interest you, and a REAL REASON why you are considering this school. INCLUDED ____
- Common Application INCLUDED ____
- Scholarship Proof INCLUDED ____