

Sophomore Summer Reading 2022

All Sophomores must read the following:

Lord of the Flies – William Golding
The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde – Robert Louis Stevenson

After reading, all sophomores must write an essay that answers the following prompt:

The British historian John Dalberg-Acton famously said, "Power tends to corrupt, and absolute power corrupts absolutely." In a well-developed essay, explain what you think this statement says about human nature and how the novels *Lord of the Flies* and *The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde* support this claim? Be sure to describe in your essay specific, relevant scenes from the novels.

The requirements for the essay are as follows:

- A 5 paragraph essay, including an introduction and conclusion.
- A minimum of 3 quotes. You must use at least <u>one</u> quote from <u>each</u> novel.
 - O Use proper MLA style in-text citations (Author pg. #)
- MLA formatting
 - o Heading (your name, your teacher's name, the class name, the date)
 - Title
 - o A readable 12-point font (Times New Roman or Calibri)
 - o 1-inch margins

Essays will be submitted to your individual teacher by Tuesday, August 30. Your teacher will instruct you on submitting the essay the first day of class.