

Liberty Middle School
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Dear Student,

Welcome to the Liberty Middle School seventh grade Pre-AP class of 2009/10! We are in for an incredible year and that year begins with a summer project. I know some of you may have heard about the summer project already, but be prepared to be surprised. The summer project is very “doable” if you begin early in the summer and revisit the assignment now and again throughout your vacation.

To ensure that the summer project is “doable” for everyone involved, all of the middle school Pre-AP teachers (Skyridge and Liberty) met to create similar criterion for the project. The following is a list of the parameters used to craft each individual project.

- Provides for equitable workloads across grade levels at both middle schools.
- Aligns projects to classroom curriculum.
- Allows for student choice/creativity.
- Builds upon outgoing grade-level skills.
- Introduces Pre-AP strategies that are meaningful to students.
- Links to state EALRS/GLES in writing, reading and social studies.
- Prepares students for high school Pre-AP and AP programs.

This packet contains a detailed assignment list and rubric. Please read it carefully – it is important for you to know that your year begins with this assignment and will have a significant impact on your first trimester grade. With that said, not one of my students last year had any problem completing the summer assignment☺

I am thrilled to be your teacher for the next year and look forward to getting to know all of you throughout our adventure in learning. As with all adventures, we will change and adjust to our specific personalities and needs as a class – I want you to love what you are learning! I'll just be an e-mail away if you need me (shannon.parker@camas.wednet.edu).

Parents: Please take a look at the assignment; you may opt to choose an alternative book to those recommended.

Sincerely,

Shannon Parker
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