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TO: Biotechnology/Medical Sciences Academy Freshmen
   Business Academy Freshmen
   Communications Academy Freshmen
   Kenosha Military Academy Freshmen
   Comprehensive High School Freshmen HONORS

Dear Academy and Comprehensive Honors Freshmen,

Congratulations on your acceptance into the academies and/or comprehensive honors English program! As part of our curriculum, you will be required to read a novel this summer and do some work with it in preparation for the first day of your English class.

You will need to purchase the classic novel Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck. It is available for purchase from several online book distributors. You are also able to purchase this book locally at RK News located on 75th Street, near Pick ‘n Save, for $8.00 plus tax. You should have your own copy and will be expected to bring it to class daily.

After you purchase the book, please read and complete the following for each chapter:

1. List the characters-- What is distinctive about each character?
2. What happened in the chapter?
3. What was most important?
4. Choose a passage or a few lines of dialogue from each chapter (include the page number) that seems important or makes you laugh or moves you in some way.

Please set up a section in a five-subject notebook that you will use for English class to do this work. Please bring this completed work and the novel to class with you on the first day of school.

If you have any questions about this assignment, please contact one of the freshmen English teachers listed below. Again, the expectation is that this work is completed by the first day of class so we can begin our unit work with it immediately.

Thank you and have a wonderful summer!

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