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Dear Rising English II Students and Parents:

In an effort to serve our students' academic needs and provide them greater opportunities to maximize their potential for future success, Pinewood Christian Academy's Academic Committee has recommended that the school maintain a summer reading program. Many private and public schools require students to participate in similar programs in order to maintain mental acuity and to improve critical reading skills year round. We believe that our students will become more scholastically competitive if they also read during the summer hiatus.

Of course, we know that students deserve a break from the rigors of the school year to participate in family vacations, take summer jobs, take part in community athletic programs, and simply get some rest. Because we do not want to encroach upon these activities unreasonably, I am assigning only one work.

During the summer, students entering English II next year are assigned to read ***Our Town*** by Thornton Wilder. Students will be required to obtain their own hard copy of the assigned title in order to complete this assignment. I am not assigning corresponding written work, but students should be prepared for a test over the material following our return to school in the fall. They will also prepare a project relative to the text once school begins.

I anticipate an academically challenging but enjoyable experience for English II next year. Have a wonderful, safe summer vacation.

Sincerely yours,

Miriam Porter