The sophomore class is to read the following two novels this summer. Each student must read <u>both</u> novels. There will be <u>no</u> exceptions made. Each student is to write an essay on the topics that follow for book "number one." All essays are due by the FIRST day of school or a ZERO will be given for a grade. All work is to be neatly <u>handwritten</u> in standard blue or black ink. Any typed work or illegible handwriting will not be considered, and a grade of zero will be given. There <u>will be</u> a test on book "number two" during the first few weeks back to school. Please take these assignments seriously so we can get off to a good start in the fall!

## 10th Grade

Book #1 Out of the Night that Covers Me by Pat Cunningham Devoto

300 words Written in blue or black ink

## Assignment:

By the time you finish reading *Out of the Night that Covers Me*, you have grown to know the character of John. In a way that makes sense to you, divide the novel into thirds - John when you first met him, John in the middle of the book, and John at the end of the novel. Each of these three points will become the body paragraphs of an essay. Begin by writing a standard <u>outline</u>. Once you have a good, solid outline, begin writing your <u>thesis statement</u>. After that, you should write your rough draft and then your final draft. Be sure to use at least one direct quote in each paragraph, and be sure each paragraph is at least five sentences long.

Book #2 Animal Farm by George Orwell

Have a safe and enjoyable summer. Make wise choices! Happy reading!!