**Summer Reading for the 2018/2019 School Year**

**Seniors**

**The summer reading and annotation are to be completed for the first day of class. Please read the assigned text closely and keep notes (details below) as you progress through the novel.**

It is your responsibility to acquire the assigned text. (It is **not** available through Follett.)

**Reading Assignment** – *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini

*A Thousand Splendid Suns* examines life in Afghanistan from a female’s perspective. The novel serves as a contemporary work of literature that incites discussion of varied topics when students return to the classroom. In addition, the novel connects with many other works of literature throughout the senior curriculum.

**Annotating the Novel**

*We recommend that you annotate the novel. The annotation will not be graded, but will serve as an invaluable study guide when your teacher assesses you on this work.*

* Please read with a pen and take notes in the novel. While you read, use marginal notes to mark key material. Create your own system for marking what is important, interesting, quotable, questionable, and so forth.
* At the end of each chapter or section, *briefly* summarize the material. Also, title the chapter or section to help you remember the specific events/ideas/details in that particular chapter or section.
* Make a list of vocabulary words on a back page or the inside back cover. Defining unfamiliar words will help your understanding of the text.

**Be aware that you will be assessed on the reading during the first week of school. Your notes will serve as a good study guide.**