SARATOGA CENTRAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL
ELA 9
Information and Summer Reading Assignment 2017
Mrs. Holmes, English and Writer’s Workshop Teacher

HIDDEN FIGURES: The American Dream and the Untold Story of the
Black Women Mathematicians Who Helped Win the Space Race by
Margot Lee Shetterly
ISBN: 0062363603

Dear 9th Grade ELA Student and Parent or Guardian,

Welcome to the ELA 9 Summer Read! The summer assignment is meant to encourage students to continue their reading and thinking about literature in ways that they may not otherwise explore. There are three components to this project that must be completed BEFORE classes commence in the fall. Statistics prove continued reading both increase test scores and increases student success. With this in mind, this assignment reflects the content and grade level and is designed to give students the opportunity to develop skills that will enable them to be successful in courses in high school and beyond.

As a student entering 9th grade ELA, summer reading is an absolute must! Next school year, we will be reading short stories, poetry, plays and novels. We will begin the year with a short story and literary terms exploration and this summer project is the SPRING BOARD for that work!!

Summer Reading Deadlines and Expectations
Summer reading must be completed and handed in prior to the first day of school. The summer reading assignment is due on THURSDAY August 31, 2017
No late work will be accepted.

ASSIGNMENT
** There are three parts to the 9th grade summer reading project**
1. Read the story – Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly
2. Watch the film Hidden Figures
3. Complete a book/film comparison graphic organizer submitted through Google Docs (attached worksheet)

Blessings,

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Margot Lee Shetterly

Writer, researcher, and entrepreneur Margot Lee Shetterly is the author of *Hidden Figures: The American Dream and the Untold Story of the Black Women Mathematicians Who Helped Win the Space Race* (William Morrow/HarperCollins). A 2014 Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Fellow and Virginia Foundation for the Humanities grantee, Shetterly is the founder of The Human Computer Project, an endeavor that is recovering the names and accomplishments of all of the women who worked as computers, mathematicians, scientists and engineers at the NACA and NASA from the 1930s through the 1980s. She is a native of Hampton, Virginia, where she knew many of the women behind the history in *Hidden Figures*. She lived for many years in New York and Mexico before moving to Charlottesville, Virginia, where she lives with her husband, writer Aran Shetterly. She is a graduate of the University of Virginia.

http://www.hiddenfigures.com/bio/
www.margotleeshetterly.com
CENTRAL IDEA-
Similar to theme, broad idea or message conveyed in an informational text

TEXT STRUCTURE –
• Text structure refers to the ways that authors organize information in text.
• The ability to recognize and analyze how an author puts their information together, helps readers to gain a deeper understanding of key concepts, relationships and anticipate what is to come.

NON – FICTION TEXT STRUCTURE ORGANIZATION
• Cause and Effect
• Sequence
• Problem/Solution
• Description
• Compare and Contrast

FICTION TEXT STRUCTURE (Story Elements)
• Characters
• Plot
• Setting
• Problem/Solution