

AP Psychology Summer Assignment 2018-2019

Welcome to AP Psychology at Windsor High School for the 2018-2019 academic year! I am excited to explore how our mind and behaviors interact with one another, pretty much why you do what you do!

To help prepare/excite you for this upcoming academic year I want to you get familiar with one of the most popular topics in Psychology- Psychopathology! In this unit we dive into mental illness and how it physically and mentally develops, and how to treat people with these illnesses.

Summer Assignment

1. I will give you choices between three mental health novels that you will have to read.

You only choose one!

-*No One Cares About Crazy People* by Ron Powers (Schizophrenia)

-*Unbearable Lightness* by Portia De Rossi (Eating Disorder)

- *Mad Girl* by Byrony Gordon (Obsessive Compulsive Disorder)

(If there is a book you researched that you would rather read, email me so I can approve it)

2. Write a **synopsis** on the novel after you read it. Should be 2 pages double spaced.

3. You will **create a poster** after you finish the novel. Within the poster I want you to have:

- **5 quotes** that really show the main point of the story or illness. Underneath quotes I want 2-3 sentences on why you picked this quote.
- **1 visual representation** of the illness. This picture should intricate and have multiple meanings within the picture, spend time on it! I want you to write a 5 sentence response explaining your picture.
- **Research section**, I want you to research your illness. After, put on your poster: What the disorder is, what we should know about it, and what are some ways to treat it.

DUE DATE: Second day of school, the first day will be for introductions, and going over the syllabus.

Any questions that you may have you can email me at kholcomb@wusd.org

I look forward to meeting you all, I hope you enjoy learning about psychopathology ! :)

Ms.Holcomb