

# Welcome to 12th Grade Humanities!

This coming school year the 12th-Grade humanities will be focusing on the modern era. As preparation, you will need to complete the following reading and writing assignment.

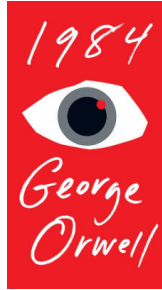
**DUE TUESDAY, AUGUST 23rd**

## Read

*1984* by George Orwell

You can find the book on:

- Amazon
- Barnes and Noble
- Your local library



## Write

Complete an essay using 1 of the following prompts.

What is Orwell's vision of a good society? What, based on the world created in *1984*, is his political ideal?

*Or*

Persecuted by O'Brien in the Ministry of Love, Winston ponders that it is "perhaps it is better to be understood than to be loved" (252). Consider *1984* as a whole and Orwell's goal: is he arguing for love or for understanding?

### Expectations

- Typed, 12 point font, Times New Roman, 1 inch margins, double spaced
- 2-3 pages
- Any quote, paraphrase or summary from *1984* must include the page number. Any additional outside sources must be cited using Chicago NB formatting

### Rubric

- Paragraphs and the essay demonstrate unity and coherence
- Essay shows thought and careful consideration of the prompt
- Use details from the book to support your answer

### **NOTE!**

This summer, also spend time doing preliminary research on potential thesis topics.