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Dear Students,

This year, the Middle School English Department of BCCA is requiring summer reading. It is our desire to stretch and challenge you intellectually, and foster a practice of active reading.

After reading your assigned book, you will produce a book cover using the attached project guidelines. You will submit this assignment on the day we return to school in September. Your grade will be based upon how completely and accurately your cover fulfills the requirements indicated on the assignment. This includes proper spelling, punctuation, and grammar in your summary. **You should not use the internet** to help you write the summary. Be careful not to depend on a movie version of the book! Please address any questions to our school email addresses.

Here are the book assignments per grade level:

For **Grade 6**, read *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* by C. S. Lewis.

For **Grade 7**, read *The Maze Runner* by James Dashner.

For **Grade 8**, read *The Pearl* by John Steinbeck.

We hope you have a wonderful summer and that you enjoy the adventure of reading!

In Christ,

Mr. Tierney and Mrs. Fagerlund
BCCA Middle School English Department

BOOK COVER PROJECT

Task: After reading your novel, create a book cover that summarizes what it is about. Your book cover will have two sides. Follow the directions below to ensure you are meeting all the requirements of the project.

Front Cover:

- ✓ The title and author must be on the front cover.
- ✓ Illustrate an important scene or concept from the story that stuck out to you. This should be unique and not simply a replica of the book's cover.
- ✓ Choose a meaningful quote from the story to include somewhere on the cover.

Back Cover:

- ✓ Short student-written summary of the novel that doesn't give away the ending but includes the important characters, setting, conflict, and theme.
- ✓ *Book recommendation:* Did you like or dislike the book? Give a reason why.
- ✓ Your name

