To: Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of 10th grade English students:

From: Mr. Burklund, BHS 10th grade English teacher

Greetings:

This letter is to inform you that your child will soon be writing a research paper for his/her 10th grade English class. The research project is based on the factual accuracy of a movie based on historical events. I have given your child a list of movie options to choose from. Part of the assignment will require your child to watch the movie in order to find portions of the story to research. Please understand that I am NOT asking you to purchase a movie, and I am NOT requiring your child to watch a movie that is rated beyond a level that is comfortable for you. Some of the movies on the list I provide are rated R, but there are others that are rated PG. Please discuss the movie options with your child and help him/her choose a movie that will work not only for the paper, but for your family as well. Movies can be rented, purchased, currently owned, checked out from the public library, or even the media center at school. Please be advised these movies will need to be watched by next week.

This research project will be about 40% of the grade for this quarter. Failure to complete portions or the entire project may prohibit your child from passing English 10. It is important that he/she keep up with all of the steps of the research project and deadlines set in class. I will be giving grades for the following aspects of research: notecards, outline, bibliography, a rough draft, revision, and a final draft. You should expect to see regular homework for this project. Your child will also receive a calendar handout showing all major research due dates. Furthermore, I will post important due dates on my webpage.

I greatly appreciate your help in advance. Feel free to contact me with any questions you may have at this time or in the near future.

Sincerely,

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