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7th Grade Language Arts Summer 2018 Reading Assignment

Read the assigned summer reading book, *The Outsiders* by S.E. Hinton, and answer each of the below prompts in a complete paragraph of 6-8 sentences per prompt. Be sure to reference specific moments in the text to prove your points and provide citations for those moments in your answer. For example, if you reference when Johnny says, "Stay golden, Ponyboy," you would provide the citation "(Hinton 73)" because that moment occurs on page 73 of the novel by S.E. Hinton.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Mr. Flanagan at bflanagan@lacordaire.net and he will respond as soon as he can. Have a great summer and happy reading!

- 1) Think of the title of the novel, "The Outsiders." Why do you think the author chose this title? Who are the people that are on the "outside" and who determines which people are on the "outside"?**

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2) How do the Greasers view the Socs at the beginning of the novel? How does Ponyboy's view of them change throughout the course of the novel? What specific events change his perspective?

3) Compare the novel you chose as the second summer read to *The Outsiders*. Do you see any "outsiders" in the other novel? Who determines which people are "outsiders" in the second novel's world? How are those "outsiders" treated?

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