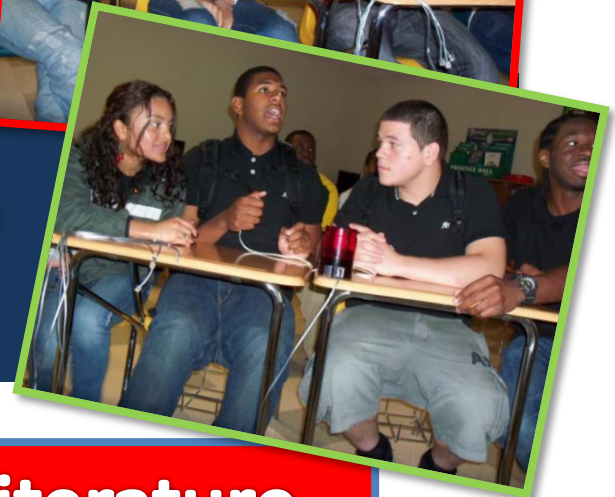




# Kids Say



## Mr. Williams' AP English Literature Review





# AP First Quarter Review

- You will have several slides to survey, see which one speaks to you the most; jot down important points.
- Then, in a group of four, you will need to discuss your choices.

# Kids Say

[Esmeralda Portillo](#) August 8 at 5:28pm [Reply](#)

**“It always help to get money... You know, that money you get for us passing should be passed down somehow ;) Kidding!”**

**“It helps to just **SLEEP** and **not stress** the exam. If you aren't prepared by the time the test rolls around, you're just not prepared. I **completed all my assignments** to get prepared and just took my time with the test.”**



# Kids Say



[Maria D Gonzalez](#) August 8 at 5:54pm [Reply](#)

**“I agree with Esme. As for me, it helped to really **get into the material**. The **more essays I wrote**, the more **confident** I became about the exam. I kept telling myself I'd pass and of course, I did. **If you don't do the classwork or homework**, you're screwed and you shouldn't be in an AP class. Also, keeping your **binder in order** helps because you can always go back to it, take notes, and remember them for the exam.”**

# Kids Say

[Calvin Edwards](#) August 8 at 6:02pm [Reply](#)

“One tip I would say is **not to be afraid to skip questions**. I would rather skip questions rather than answer ones I don't know and get them wrong. Second tip, **Mary Shelley saves all.**”



# Kids Say

[Mariadis Akinci](#) August 8 at 7:25pm [Reply](#)

**“Well, being the genius that I am, I can say that you are either born with the ability to pass or not. But for those unfortunate souls who have to work at it, I suggest you **keep your binder organized, pay close attention to class discussions - the human condition.** Take it one day at a time. Its alot of info so try to absorb each lesson when it is given. Dont worry if you dont remember along the way. Its somewhere in your brain. If that fails, try rhetoric in the essays. Use what you can remember and develop.”**



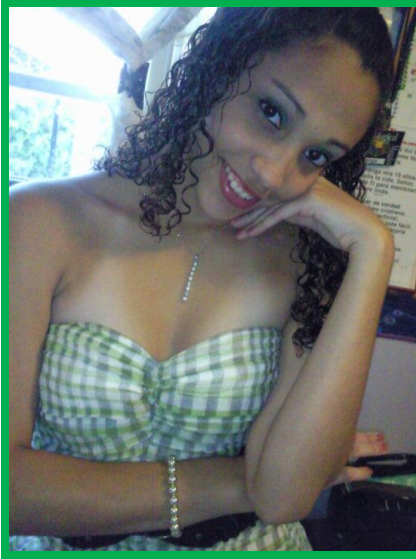
# Kids Say

[Yeanli Velez](#) August 10 at 1:51pm [Reply](#)

“lol i agree with all of them!! **sleeping, eating a good meal** the day before, **paying attention in your class**, and not being afraid to ask questions when you don't know something. that way the day of the exam you understand what you didn't before. Most definitely becoming familiar with a novel **Frankenstein** is good but **Brave New World** is better for me because of all the different meanings. **Being relaxed** and **not over thinking the test** is good too.”



# Kids Say



[Brenda Alba](#) August 10 at 1:21am [Reply](#)

“I guess all I could say is **practice makes perfect**. Keeping up with all of the **essays** and using all the **BODs** really helps. Become very **familiar with at least one novel** and you're good to go. Also **ninja assassin** is a good stress reliever before the exam. ;) Make sure to get **plenty of rest** and have a **good breakfast the day of the exam!! Chewing gum** kept me alert as well.”



# Kids Say

[Karla Jimenez](#) August 10 at 3:18pm [Reply](#)

“To pass the test, all you have to do is **go to class**. If you go **do what you're supposed to do**, you'll pass with ease. Also, put a little time aside from **your not-so-busy schedule** to **read about any topic you're discussing in class that week**. It doesn't matter what it is that you read, as long as it's relatable and it could be used as a weapon during the test. The easier it becomes for you to relate different subjects together, the much better your chances of passing the test becomes.”

“Biggest tip: **Don't take the test too seriously!** Oh and **bring a sweater** during the day of the exam.” :)



# Kids Say

[Stephanie Elichme](#) August 11 at 9:58pm

“But really, it was **not letting the test get to me** that helped. Stress over the exam before the exam can lead to exhaustion. The hardest portion of the exam was the **multiple choice**. I know i definitely aced the essay.”



# Kids Say MNW 2011

## The Missing Year

- Bria Almonor
- Jeannie Gresseau
  - Jennifer Arzu
- Tamarrah Ulysse
- Autumn Thomas
  - Apryl Evans

## Kids Say MNW

Nickelle Decius – July 6, 2012

- ummm **booknotes** were a big help for the last question on the essay, the **pimping the prompt exercise** helped me when reading the questions, and even though i hated it, the **writing boot camp** helped a lot getting used to the writing style and all that and for the multiple choice i would say **the practice exams** helped me get used to the type of questions they asked (see i told you it was progress i went from **7% to passing the test** lol) and i think **the games** helped to keep people interested but they were also informative oh and **STOCK LANGUAGE !!**



**Kids Say MNW**  
**Tracoyia Roach – July 5, 2012**

- **The thing that really helped the most were **essays**. The critical essays helped practice on writing essays for the poems and the **wbc**'s helped with the one's for free response. **Possible essay starters** and **stock language** should be something mandatory and a must to learn. And the stuff we did in **Saturday school**. [Like when we made up our own intro when you gave us the tone in characters]. And the rest of **your methods** were also helpful.**



Kids Say MNW  
Natasha Deloatch – September 21, 2012

- Uh lol um I seriously thought **I had bombed the test**, I didn't study I just applied **what I learned in class**. I think the key is to **pay attention**, and to **take learning seriously**



**Kids Say MNW**  
**Miracle Taylor – July 7, 2012**

- Sure !!! initially it was **your excitement and motivation** that created a drive in me to freely get involved in the class. I truly enjoyed a lot of the **activities** and they contributed greatly towards helping me on the tests. The **vocab's** and especially the **STOCK LANGUAGE** REALLY HELPED!!!! Throughout the year the things that helped me were the **painting/Music analysis** as well as **poems** because it allowed my mind to be more open and the **outside the box** or in your terms "**SEE BEYOND THE BOTTLE**". Also the **Ap bootcamp/games** were insightful but the **ap practice tests** is what i think is the most critical thing because it can be hard to become accustomed to answering those questionS! In general **Everything** that you did was beneficial to me THANKS MR.WILLIAMS!!!!!!



Kids Say MNW  
Nathalie Zaldivar – July 7, 2012

- lol well the **booknotes** really help for one..the **critical essays** are the best way to practice writing the **BODs with what not to do and to do**....the **long/short responses with the stock language and reviewing old essays oh and class discussins on books, it forces you to think a little deeper and ofcourse your **sarcasm and encouragement** wich i doubt will ever change lol**

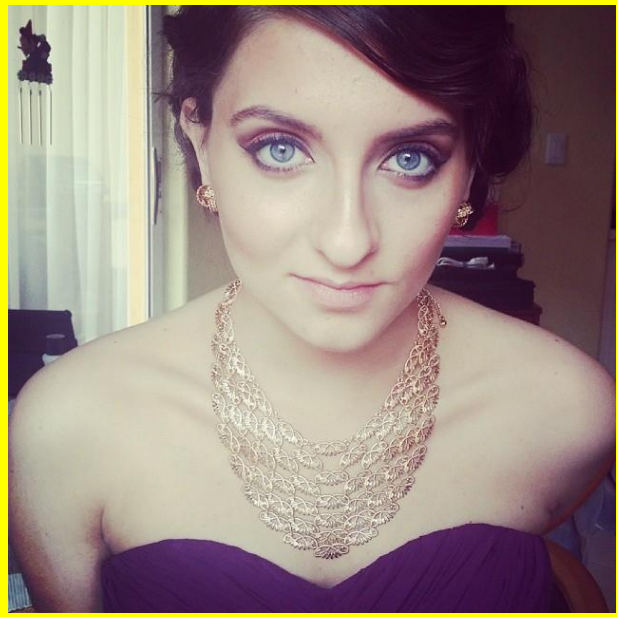




The DASH Year  
2013-2014

# Kids Say

- **Laura “Rosa” Arango** August 11 at 4:30pm
  - “Actually **reading** the novels and **analyzing** them;
  - Everything you **taught in class**
  - Also, being able to **name** the **figurative language** .”



# Kids Say



- **Aaron Alonso** August 11 at 5:11pm

- **“Note taking as you read.”**

# Kids Say



- **Iona Gordon** August 12 at 2:30pm

- “Umm idk just the **basic skills you taught** us. I didn't use any other study books apart from the **material you provided** us.”

# Kids Say



Jennifer Cromer Thursday 2:47p.m.

**Motive** for taking the exam, like you have to want it not just be taking the class for the hell of it, otherwise you're missing the drive when it comes to studying. The motive can be as simple as **saving money** when it comes to college classes.

Approaching the exam with a **calm head**, getting stressed or freaked doesn't help anyone, it helps to not think of it as some do or die test, if you fail it's not the worst thing that could happen. **Time management**, during the test when you study so you don't over study...stuff like that. And **use the breaks** during the exam, be sure to get up, walk around, stretch, ....the usual but **mainly motive**.

# Kids Say

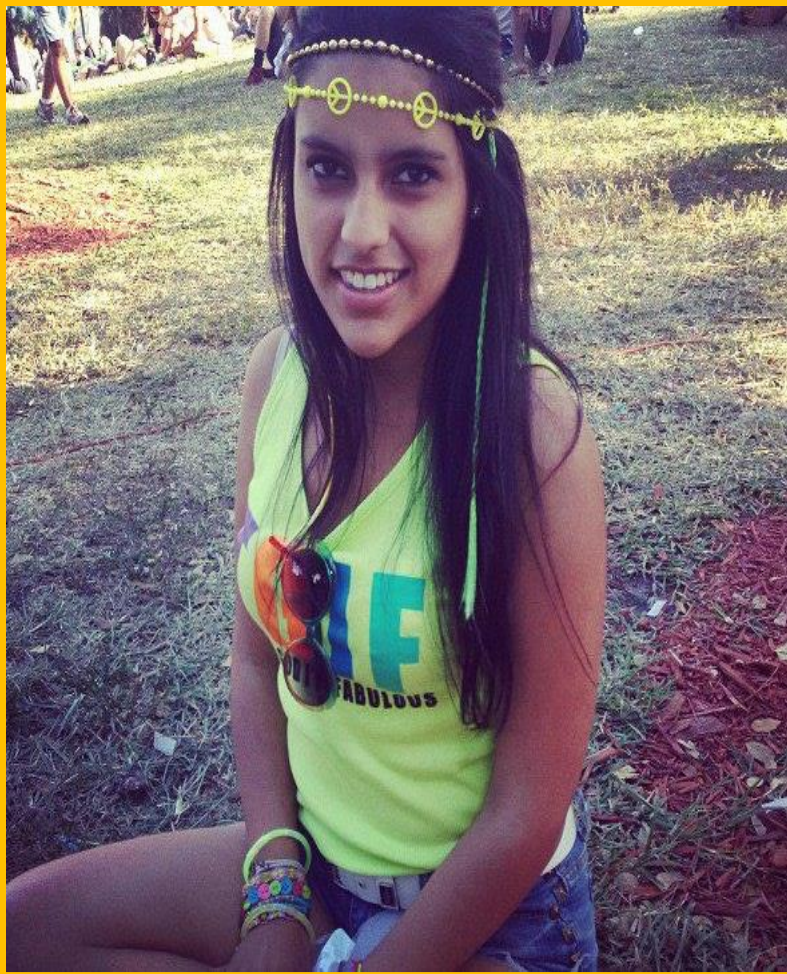


Oandy Naranjo

- Pops!!!! Well, i think the fact that you made us think of one book at a time and do a lot with that one made me remember stuff for the essays #macbeth #everyman and real talk the **sarcasm** helped...lol

Saturday 1:26am

# Kids Say



• Luciana Ruiz Friday 9:50am

- I think it was just practicing the passages with **multiple choice under strict timing**. Also your **essay exams** and the **MANTRA** helped. Thanks pops!

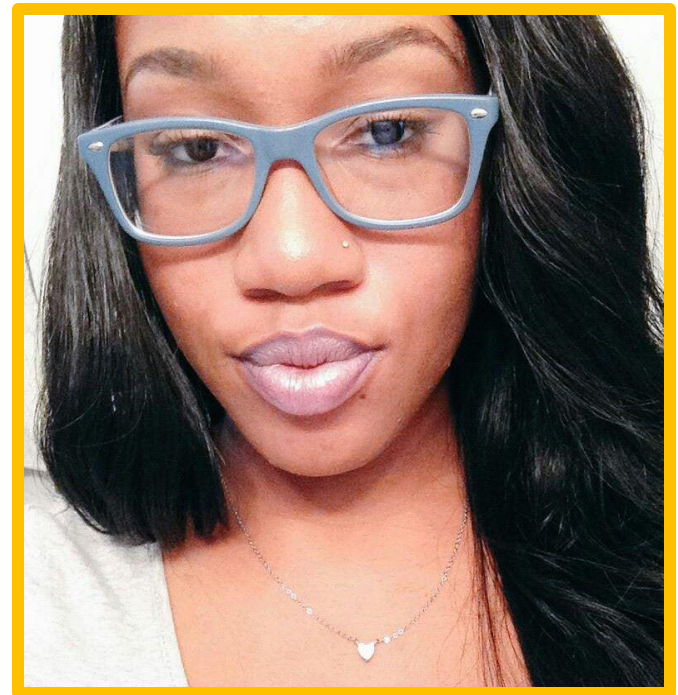
Back at the West Year  
2014-2015



# Kids Say

Savonne Reddick Sunday 10:59am

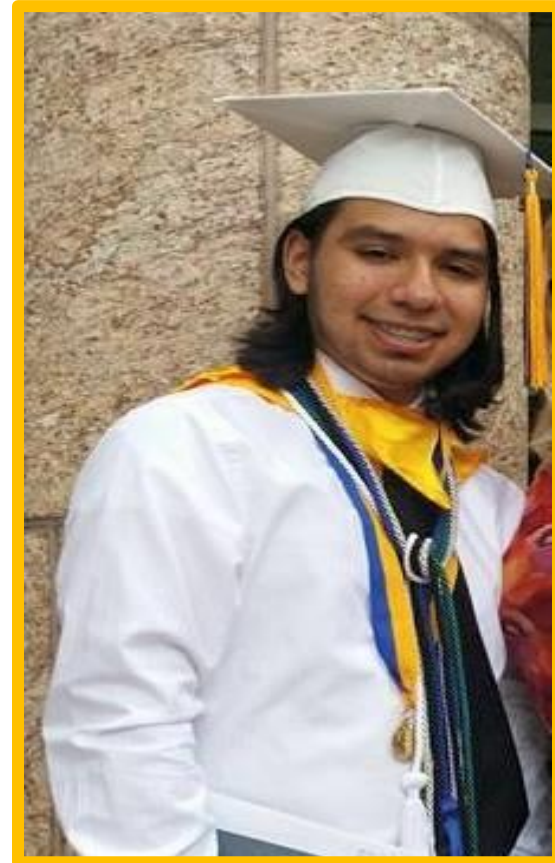
- "Find ways to **memorize things in the little AP handbook**. Use flashcards to memorize/ learn **tone words**. Focus on strengthening your writing by **asking questions** on how to make your writing better/**reading all of the comments Pops gives**. **Utilize all resources he gives/study them.**"



# Kids Say

Victor Matta Sunday 11:51am

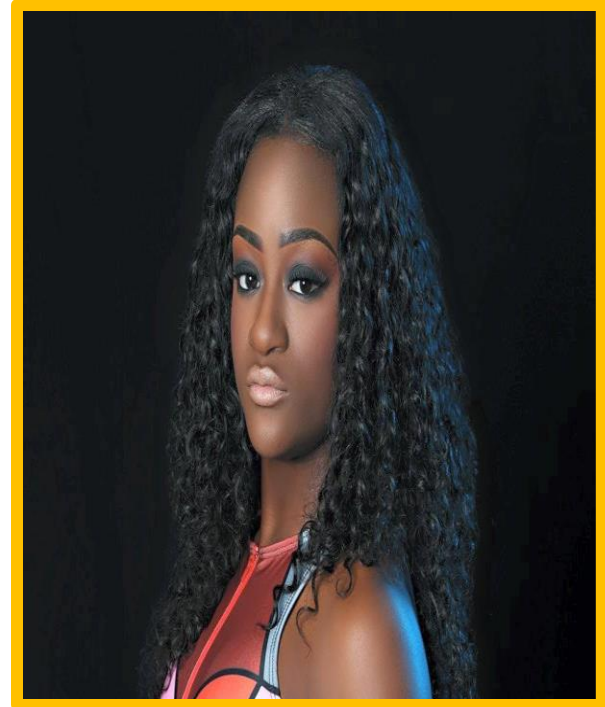
- "So basically it was not that difficult as many think it is, at least to me. Yeah it's difficult **if you don't bother learning the rules and things Pops talks about**, but it is definitely doable. If I actually sat there, studied every day, and covered the texts over and over then I would've gotten a better score for sure. **Do read the books** (not skim them, but actually read) and you will be fine. The **poems** to me were the hardest. The **prose** was the least difficult, so if you aren't good on poems, do focus on those, and the writing as well."



# Kids Say

Keishana Davis Sunday 12:51pm

- "I would say **really study all of the sheets** he gave us. Really focus on the essays. The **pop quizzes help** because they ask questions about the worksheets that he gives. The AP test made me feel nervous until I actually started taking the test and **everything looked familiar**. **Just paying attention from the beginning because all of the work given is worth seeing yourself pass at the end.**"



# Kids Say

Madai Baquero-Gallo Sunday 12:57pm

- "Being in this class was the best thing that happened to me. I learned so much, not only about myself, but of the world around you. **Do not think that just because it is literature it will not teach you about the world.** In order to excel in this class and have a possibility of doing well on the test, you must:
  - 1) **Venture outside of the class.** Do not expect to do well in this class if you are not willing to apply it to the outside world, or your own community even.
  - 2) **Study as much as you can**, as soon as you can, whenever you can. I kid you not, if you have free time use it wisely. There were questions on the test that I missed because I couldn't remember the meaning of a word I looked at several times.
  - 3) **Apply all the book knowledge into the essays you write.**
  - 4) Definitely **look over Pops' notes.** They are there for a reason.

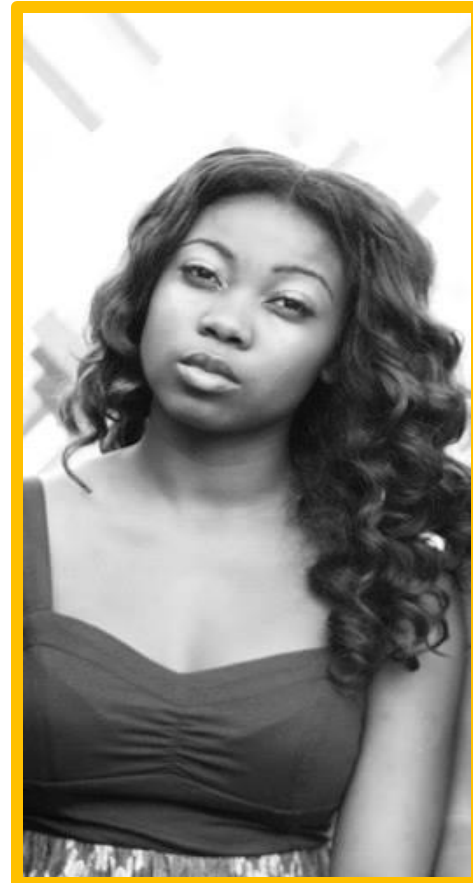


- 5) **Do not take this class lightly.** If you are here just to make your GPA go up, you will 1) make it go down because the class is hard if you don't work, 2) rob yourself of truly learning something. This test is not easy to pass, so you must WORK HARD.
- 6) **Attend all AP study sessions/AP camps.** Those really helped, especially because we were near the AP testing date.
- **7) The binder is a NEED. Flashcards, highlighting, quizlet will be your best friend.**
- 8) **STUDY outside of class. Write extra essays. Practice, practice, practice.**
- 9) **READ all books and reading assignments given.** Read them twice if you have time. Write quotes that are "random" and can be versatile on flashcards to use for practice on your essays and to help you memorize for the test.
- **10) LEARN. Don't sit there and complain. Do ALL homework assignments because they have a purpose.**

# Kids Say

Raquel Jackson Sunday 1:00pm

- "A testing tip I have is that if you don't understand it, **guess and go back** if you have time to. Staring at what you don't understand isn't going to make it come to you eventually. It's a waste of time. The test made me feel like all of Pops' teachings was for something because **nothing caught me by surprise.**"





#doubledigits  
2015-2016

AP English Literature makes History!  
13 passes!

# Kids Say

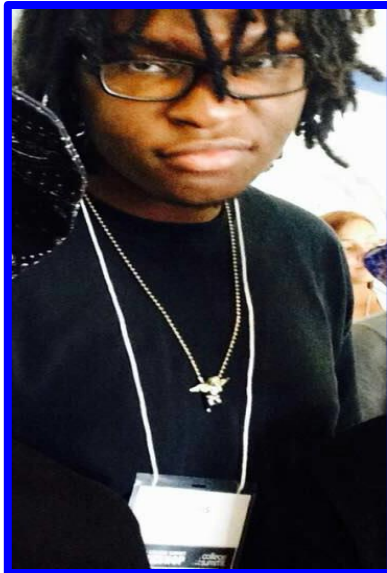
Larissa Meza



- “Let’s be honest, none of us like to study, but if you want to pass AP Lit you are going to have to study. **Read** those books that are **assigned** to you. They may be boring or you may actually end up liking them. Either way, **READ THE BOOKS!** Read **every poem**, even if you don’t understand it. **Look deeper** into those poems as if your life depends on it. Most importantly, to **survive** the class **remember that every Friday** assignments are bound to be due, unless Mr. Williams says otherwise. Just remember that Fridays are your deadlines. Lastly, learn to **love quotes** as if they are lyrics to a song, you have no idea how much they will help your essays.”

# Kids Say

Adonis Bradley



- “The mantra is life!  
**Topic, quote, analysis.**  
The mantra will save your life when you are writing an essay in a rush and need an idea to organize your thoughts.”



# Kids Say

- **“Read the books. Read the poems. Relate to everything. Print out every handout because it will improve your vocabulary. Multiple choice is a matter of practice and comprehension, you have to practice it in order to improve in it.”**

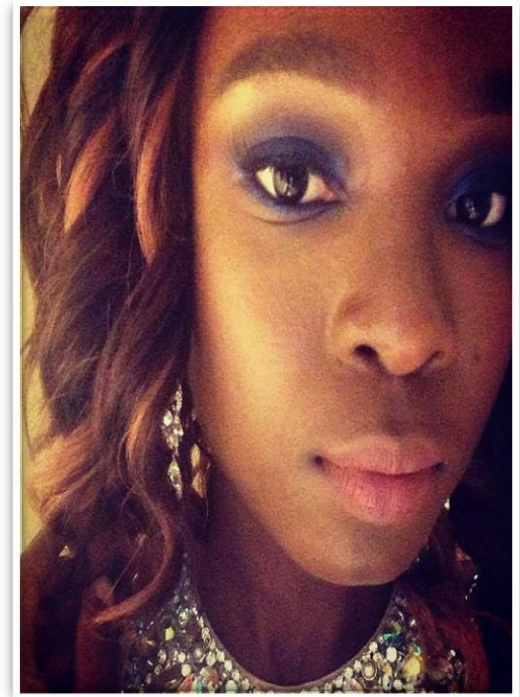
Johanna Brown



# Kids Say

- **“Every assignment has a purpose. Sometimes they may be annoying. Other times you may think they are pointless, but trust me you will need every assignment. The class itself is not hard, you just need discipline and to prioritize. Read the books, as well. Everything is easier when you read the books.”**

Marie Mathurin



# Kids Say

- “Three days before the test, read all the quotes from your Booknotes and just learn them. **It doesn't matter if it is only a word, but that word better be meaningful.** Also, **learn from the mistakes of your past essays to improve in the next ones.**”

Alissa Michel-Pierre

# Kids Say

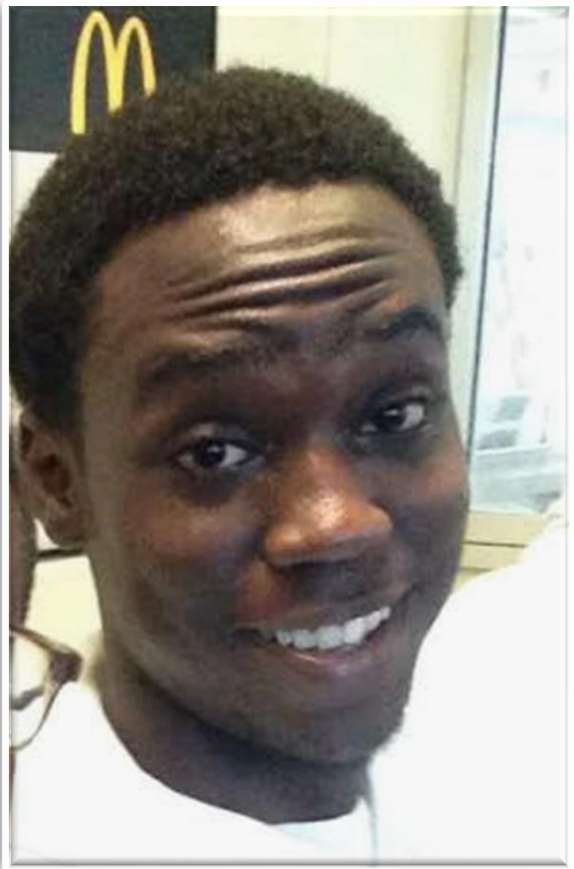
Patrick Daniels



- “Well i kinda just made sure i understood how to **break down poems** and the **basics of literature** (syntax etc) before the test.”

# Kids Say

Darius Wright



- “I thought about how most ppl would answer and took on the essays. I tried a **different route** become different bc other ppl would typically say the same things. Multiple choice I **read the questions first**, then read the passage. I’m not good on time, but this helped me a little. Also, actually **read the books and plays.**”

# Kids Say MNW 2017

## Another Missing Year

- Kaylah Clark
- Tammery Carry
- Erick Mora
- Dieudonne St.Goerges
- Mischael Saint-Sume

# Kids Say MNW 2018 Another Missing Year

- No PASSES 😞

# Kids Say MNW 2019

## Another Missing Year

- **Alissa Acosta**
- **Zaria Brown**
- **Kemaury Willis**



# **Kids Say MNW 2020 Another Missing Year**

- **Anais Humes**
- **Diavion Nixon**
- **Brinae Johnson**
- **Gabrielle Grant**

# Kids Say



What will your Success Story be?



# New Year Resolutions/Reflections

Choose one below:

- (a) What **personal** resolution will you make? How do you plan to accomplish this?
- (b) What **academic** resolution will you make? How do you plan to accomplish this task?

Choose one below:

- (a) How have you used your study **schedule**? Is there any change to take place? Explain.
- (b) What have I **mastered/need work in** in AP so far this year?
- (c) What **changes**, if any, do you have to make to your study schedule? Explain.

# New Year Resolutions/Reflections



**Discuss**

**What ideas did your group help you to reflect or improve on?**



## AP Mid-Year Review

- You will have several slides to survey, see which one speaks to you the most.
- Next, you will have to choose **two** questions from four.
- Then, in a group of four, you will need to discuss your choices.