



Welcome to the 2009 Advanced Placement English Language and Composition Summer Workshop at Woodward Academy!

I'm so glad you'll be at Woodward! And I am certain that you will find your participation in the Summer Program enriching. The campus is lovely, the institute staff members are consistently helpful, and the interaction among participants is professionally and intellectually affirming.

The Workshop will be a busy week full of pertinent discussion and useful assignments that we will craft and share with each other. In fact, you can count on taking home numerous teaching strategies that will add dimension and strength to your Advanced Placement English Language course as well as stacks of exercises and assignments to prepare your students for success in your classes, on the AP Exam, and in their college courses. And finally, you will leave the workshop with a network of colleagues eager to continue the collaboration that develops during the week.

Please come with your questions and concerns. And, if you have a writing/rhetoric text that you plan to use either as a core text or as a collateral text in your AP Language course, please bring a copy with you. If you do not have a designated text, please bring your favorite collection of non-fiction. Additionally, please bring an issue of either *The New Yorker*, *Harper's*, or the *Atlantic Monthly*.

In June I'll serve as an Exam Leader at the AP English Language and Composition Exam Reading, and I look forward to sharing what I learn there with you. Good wishes to you as you navigate the ending of the academic year. I'm excited about our working together at Woodward!

If I can be of any help to you, please feel free to contact me at mjpotts@earthlink.net.

Sincerely,
Mary Jo Potts