

St. Hugh Catholic School  
Summer Reading Assignment  
*Hidden Figures*  
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Essay Due Date:  
Wednesday, August 17, 2022

Student Name:

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**Directions:** Choose one of the following essay topics and write a well-worded six (6) paragraph essay, using text-evidence, alongside quotes, to support your answer.

1. *Hidden Figures* tells a story that spans three decades, during which there's a world war and multiple social and scientific movements that affect thousands of Langley employees. What techniques does Shetterly use to make that story feel cohesive?
2. *Hidden Figures* outlines many of the forces that encouraged America to eventually desegregate. Which do you think was the most important? Why?
3. Though there are no black astronauts by the end of *Hidden Figures*, there is a popular black face in space: Lieutenant Uhura on *Star Trek*. Why does Shetterly mention Lieutenant Uhura?











