## Extra Credit' English & U.S. History

You may earn up to 15 points of extra credit for both English and U.S. History for second term by memorizing the following two passages. Each passage is worth five points for being very close, and the last five points is for perfection. In order to receive credit, you must see Mrs. Kingsbury at an appropriate time (on a work day, before or after school, etc.) to either recite or write both pieces. If you choose to recite it, it may be in front of a small audience, and it must be an exact rendition (no extra nor deleted words) without long, drawn-out pauses. If you choose to write it, it must be spelled, capitalized and punctuated correctly. You have until January 10<sup>th</sup> to complete this assignment.

Most famous line from the Declaration of Independence— We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

## Preamble of the United States Constitution

We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.