

ENGLISH

#English I	3 Trimesters
Grades	9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite	Completion of 8th grade Language Arts
Credit Type	English
<p>This course is for students reading at the ninth grade level and will cover reading, writing, speaking, listening and reasoning skills. Different types of literature such as essays, short stories, drama, novels, media, and poetry will be read. Various forms of writing will be emphasized, including journals, essays, and a research paper. Students will review and apply the writing process to improve, expand and evaluate writing. A collection of different authors will be explored, including a Shakespearean play.</p>	

#Multicultural Literature	2 Trimesters
Grades	11,12
Prerequisite	English II
Credit Type	English
<p>This course is a powerful medium for understanding the diversity within our country. Literature is used to portray the history, customs, values, and language of particular cultural groups. Through sharing selected literatures, students can learn to understand and appreciate a literary heritage that is a product of diverse backgrounds. Contemporary multicultural works will be examined with an emphasis on Native American, African American, Latino American, and Asian American Literature.</p>	

#Honors English I	3 Trimesters
Grades	9
Prerequisite	Standardized test scores, grades, and writing prompt from 8th grade are considered for student selection.
Credit Type	English
<p>This course is for students who excel in English will study the major forms of literature: short story, novel, poetry, essay and drama. Composition units will include essays, short story, poetry and a research paper. Ongoing vocabulary lessons will help students prepare for the PSAT. Students must maintain a "B" or "A" to qualify for Honors English II.</p>	

#Heroes in Literature: Readers/Writers Workshop	2 Trimesters
Grades	11,12
Prerequisite	English II
Credit Type	English
<p>This course emphasizes student work with language, as they become stronger readers and writers. Students are active readers and writers who make choices and improve their own skills through application of reading and writing mini-lessons. Instructors coach and mentor students through a process based approach to reading and writing. Content choices emphasize the development of the concept of heroes in our society. Greek, Roman, and Norse mythology will be discussed in context of the relevancy of Heroes in our modern world.</p>	

#English II	3 Trimesters
Grades	10, 11
Prerequisite	English 1
Credit Type	English
<p>This course will strengthen basic skills in composition and organization, especially style, voice, audience, and tone. The year will begin with a review of the writing processes. Mythology and story, research paper, Shakespearean play, poetry, novels, and oral presentation will be required as course minimums. Emphasis will be placed on preparation for the State Reading and Writing tests and those skills necessary for college and work.</p>	

#College Prep English: World Literature	Yearlong Course
Grades	11,12
Prerequisite	English II, grade of C or above
Credit Type	English
<p>This course is designed for students who plan to attend college. The student will study various forms of World Literature, especially stories, novels, essays, poems, and plays. High achievement in this class leads to recommendation for Advanced Placement English. The class is reading and writing intensive, and includes individual, small group, medium group work in research and presentation.</p>	

#Honors English II	3 Trimesters
Grades	10
Prerequisite	Honors English I ("B" or above) new students with teacher approval, an "A" from English I, application, a portfolio sampler, and read above grade level.
Credit Type	English
<p>This course is for students to apply previous knowledge and experience to language and literature in essay, short story, mythology, novel, poetry, and drama. Students will analyze all forms of literature, responding to the author's craft and content. Students will develop their voice as writers, writing creatively and in essay format, elaborating and expanding their ideas in an organized fashion. The writing process will be emphasized, especially revising to improve the quality of the composition. Students will present orally to the class as well as work extensively with a partner and in small groups. Students will keep an organized notebook, read extensively at home, and keep a personal journal.</p>	

Business English	2 Trimesters
Grades	11,12
Prerequisite	English I & II
Credit Type	*English or Vocational/CTE
<p>This course includes blending thinking skills, speaking, listening, and composition tasks, all interwoven in a manner that prepares for the world of work outside the classroom. *This course satisfies an English requirement for graduation if student has met ELA state testing standard. Does not meet NCAA core for English based class.</p>	

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#College Prep English: American Literature: Readers/Writers Workshop	2 Trimesters
Grades	11,12
Prerequisite	English II, grade of C or above
Credit Type	English
<p>This course emphasizes student work with language, as they become stronger readers and writers. Students are active readers and writers who make choices and improve their own skills through application of reading and writing mini-lessons. Instructors coach and mentor students through a process based approach to reading and writing. This class is reading and writing intensive and emphasizes college-readiness skills for analytical reading and writing. Content choices emphasize American literary history and American literature of the 19th to 21st century.</p>	

Creative Writing II: Drama & Novel	Yearlong Course
Grades	11,12
Prerequisite	English I & II or approval from English Essentials Instructor
Credit Type	English
<p>This course is designed for students to study the elements of a novel and drama, with specific emphasis on plot and character development. Students will work alone and in groups to examine and produce short novels and a three-act drama. Heavy emphasis will be placed on the writing process, peer review, and oral presentations. The class will operate in a workshop-style setting.</p>	

#Advanced Placement (AP) English Lang & Comp	3 Trimesters
Grades	11
Prerequisite	Teacher permission, placement essay, C.P. Eng. Class.
Credit Type	English
<p>This course in English Language and Composition engages students in becoming skilled readers of prose written in a variety of rhetorical contexts, and in becoming skilled writers who compose for a variety of purposes. Both their writing and their reading should make students aware of the interactions among a writer's purposes, audience expectations, and subjects, as well as the way genre conventions and the resources of language contribute to effectiveness in writing. This AP English course upgrades the high school program to college level so that the student receiving a satisfactory grade on the nationally administered exam (at a cost to the student) will receive college credit and/or exemptions from certain basic college courses.</p>	

Bridge to College Language Arts	2 Trimesters
Grades	12
Prerequisite	English I & II
Credit Type	English or Vocational
<p>For Seniors who score a 2 on the Smarter Balanced 11th grade assessment. This course will develop students' college and career readiness by building skills in critical reading, academic writing, speaking and listening, research and inquiry, and language use as defined by the Washington State Learning Standards. Students will read a variety of complex non-fiction and fiction texts addressing both current and enduring issues. Students will learn to evaluate the credibility of information, critique the opinions of others, question the formation of ideas, and construct their own opinions based on evidence. By the end of the course, students will use tools for critical reading, argumentative writing, and independent thinking while reading unfamiliar texts and responding to them in discussion and writing. The course will also develop essential habits of mind necessary for student success including independence, productive persistence, and meta-cognition.</p>	

#Advanced Placement (AP) English Lit & Comp	3 Trimesters
Grades	12
Prerequisite	Teacher permission, placement essay, C.P. Eng. Class.
Credit Type	English
<p>This course will provide intensive instruction in critical thinking and clear, effective writing as well as high-level reading. The course is meant to be extremely challenging. A.P. English upgrades the high school program to college level so that the student receiving a satisfactory grade on the nationally administered exam (at a cost to the student) will receive college credit and/or exemptions from certain basic college courses.</p>	