



English Department- Academic Expectations for AP Classes



Language and Composition:

The AP English Language and Composition course is designed to help students become skilled readers of prose written in a variety of rhetorical contexts and to become 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 generic conventions and the resources of language contribute to effectiveness in writing.

Literature and Composition:

The AP English Literature and Composition course engages students in the careful reading and critical analysis of imaginative literature. Through the close reading of selected texts, students deepen their understanding of the ways writers use language to provide both meaning and understanding for the reader. As they read, students consider many elements of literature like structure, style and themes.

Table with 7 columns: Area of Study, Reading to prepare for each class, # of hours to study/prepare for each class, Tests, Essays, Papers, Major Projects, Summer Assignments, Comments. It details expectations for AP English Language and Composition and AP English Literature and Composition.



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					<p><i>Dying</i> by Ernest J. Gaines  <i>c. Kite Runner</i> by Khaled Hosseini</p>	<p>responsibility.</p>
<p><b>English Honors 9-12</b></p>	<p>Honors level students are expected to take responsibility and accomplish the out of class assigned reading whether it is short fiction or long works like novels and plays.</p>	<p>Varies according to the assignment and the depth of study.  Estimate: 4-6 hours per week.</p>	<p>The Honors Level class requires students to learn the various modes of discourse and take first drafts through to completion, editing, and revisions.</p>	<p>The Honors class has a variety of major projects and products which are a significant portion of the quarter grades. It is imperative for the student to understand that these works must be on time and original.</p>	<p>A summer reading assignment will be required in every grade level and will be measured at the beginning of the fall semester.</p>	<p>It is often the case that multiple assignments are assigned with varying due dates; therefore it is imperative that the student in this class have a sense of responsibility. These Honors level classes prepare the student to be successful in a post high school educational setting; therefore rigor and strength of study are paramount.</p>