

**Welcome to English 11-Honors
SYLLABUS for Ms. Johnson**

Supply List:

2 inch binder filled with loose-leaf paper
1 set of dividers w/ labels (Vocabulary, Literature, GUM, Writing)
2 Blue/black ink pens
3 Different Colored Highlighters
Multi Colored Post It Notes

Course Overview:

English 11 Honors is a course which focuses on American Literature. We will explore sample texts from various genres of literature (short stories, novels, dramas, poetry, nonfiction pieces, etc.). We will discuss major literary movements and their impacts on American History. Because English 11 is a Common Core Regents course, we will cover grammar, writing, and comprehension quite extensively. Literary selections are read aloud in class as much as possible or read silently on an individual basis.

Graded Work:

- 1) Vocabulary Quizzes— You will have a vocabulary quiz EVERY Friday.
- 2) Comprehension and Grammar Quizzes: As we finish each selected text, there will be a short comprehension quiz. These quizzes will consist of true/false, multiple choice, short Answer/fill in the Blank, and essay questions. We will also complete grammar, punctuation, and usage quizzes in preparation for the SAT, ACT, and Common Core Exams.
- 3) Writing: We will be doing a lot of writing this year (analytical, research based, and reflective). Each writing assignment will be graded throughout the entire process. You'll receive points for prewriting, drafting, revisions, peer editing, and final drafts. Remember the process is what is important! I will use the 6 + 1 Trait Writing Rubric.
- 4) Major tests given at end of each unit as a summative assessment.
- 5) REAL Time Creative Projects: You will select an outside reading novel each marking period. Upon completion of your chosen text, you will select, complete, and present a project from a provided list of options.

Late Policy:

All assignments will be due at the beginning of the class period unless otherwise noted. There will be a 10% deduction for each day late (i.e.: 1 day late = -10% (maximum of 90% earned), 2 day late = -20% (max of 80% earned), 3 days late = -30% (max of 70% earned). If you turn something in at the end of your class period or at the end of the day (during 10th period), it is STILL considered one day late. After three days the assignment will not be accepted and will receive a grade of ZERO. No exceptions!

Attendance Policy:

I adhere to the Chittenango High School policy as outlined in the Student/Parent Handbook. All students must participate in at least 80% of class sessions in order to receive credit for the course. Any student with more than 9 unexcused absences for one semester or 18 unexcused absences for a year long course will jeopardize his/her opportunity to receive credit for the course.

Additionally, only those students with EXCUSED absences will be given the opportunity to make up missed work for inclusion in their final grade.