

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

10TH GRADE ENGLISH

TERM: 2013-2014

TEACHER: D.Dillard

TEXT: Prentice Hall Literature,
Elements of Literature,
English Composition and Grammar,
Novels, various supplemental texts

Description of course/major objectives: All genres covered in the main text will be addressed in class- short stories, poetry, nonfiction, folklore, drama, and novels. A study of grammar and the writing process will be combined.

Specific Class Rules/Policies:

** Each student is expected to exhibit respect for the teacher, his classmates, and the property in the classroom. Common courtesy is mandatory

1. All students are responsible for reading and abiding by the classroom rules posted in the front of the room.
2. School tardy policies will be enforced.
3. Gum chewing is frowned upon, and there will be no eating or drinking in the classroom.
4. **All students are responsible for having necessary supplies for class each day- textbook, notebook, paper, and pen.**
5. Computer equipment is OFF LIMITS unless students have been given specific directions on how to complete an assignment using it.
7. Use of cell phones will not be tolerated in class.
8. Talking while the teacher is talking is prohibited! **Sleeping will not be tolerated!**
9. **Students are responsible for finding out about make-up work. Whenever possible, tests should be made up the day of the student's return. Written work must be turned in within three days.**
10. Vandalism of desks, walls, or any other property in the classroom will not be tolerated. Offending students will be required to "clean up" their mess, repair damage, or replace damaged items.

Assignments and Grading Policies:

1. All unit tests, daily assignments, presentations, essays, reports, etc. will count the same toward the nine weeks average. ** Reading or film quizzes will be calculated into one average that becomes another grade for the daily average.
2. A notebook grade will be taken at the end of each nine weeks.
3. **Generally**, the lowest daily grade will be dropped at the end of each nine weeks. **However**, students may lose this privilege by not adhering to classroom rules and tardy policy
4. All essays must either be typed or written in blue or black ink.
(See the attached outline for specific course requirements.)
5. **Student performance in the 10th grade Honors course (i.e. work ethic, final average, adherence to deadlines, etc.) combined with PSAT verbal scores will determine teacher recommendation for 11AP English. Parent's Initials _____**

Teacher Contact/Student Concerns: You may contact me via email at ddillard@southlandacademy.org.

Student Signature _____

Parent Signature _____