English 9 Syllabus (First Semester)

# Course Overview

Instructor

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Location

Room 15

Office Hours

MTWRF 7:30am-8:00am

MTRF 2:45pm-4:00pm

This course is an introduction to high school level writing and literature. Students will survey three major genres of literature: the short story, poetry, and creative nonfiction. This course is writing intensive; students should prepare to write at least one composition per week.

# Resources

Glencoe Literature: The Reader’s Choice: Course 4, Glencoe

Galileo Benchmark Testing, *ATI-Online*

# School Supplies

All materials should be secured by the end of the first week of class.

* Three-ring binder with dividers
* Loose leaf paper
* Blue or black ink pen
* Pencils
* Highlighter
* Flash drive

# Homework/Absence Policy

Late work will not be accepted. If you miss a deadline, it is a zero. If you are unexcused absent the day of a deadline, it is a zero. If you are excused absent the day of a deadline, the handbook states that you have as many days as you were absent to make up the assignment; however, if you have not turned in the work by the time the allotted days have elapsed, it is a zero.

If you know you will be absent for an extended time, it is in your best interest to communicate with me beforehand—I can be very accommodating. If you do not let me know what is going on until after the fact, I will not be as accommodating. When you are absent, it is your responsibility to figure out what you have missed.

# Class Website

canyonviewenglish.weebler.com

All relevant course materials will be posted on this site including the reading and homework schedule. You may also access Family Link from this website to check your grades.

**Classwork**

Almost every week there will be a reading comprehension quiz on Thursday and an in-class writing assignment on Friday. These assignments will comprise 30% of your overall semester grade.

**Assessment**

Every three weeks there will be a unit test. These grades will total to 70% of your overall semester grade. If you do not come to class, if you do not take proper notes, or if you do not complete the homework assignments, you will be at a severe disadvantage on these tests. The semester final exam will be weighted anywhere between one to three assessment grades. This decision will be announced after Thanksgiving Break.