2025–2026

English IV (Grade 12) | Ms. Barbour & Ms. Landi

COURSE OVERVIEW

In this class, we will focus on reading comprehension, writing skills, grammar, vocabulary development, and communication. Through a variety of texts and genres, you will learn to analyze, create, and express your ideas effectively. Most importantly, you will learn & grow as an individual.

EXPECTATIONS

1 Be respectful to everyone and their ideas.

2 Come prepared with materials and a positive attitude.

3 Participate actively in discussions & activities.

4 Follow all school rules and classroom procedures.

DISTRICT GRADING POLICY

*60% - Formal and Informal Assessments (tests, quizzes, essays, projects)
*35% - Classwork
*5% - Homework

Full-year grades are calculated as follows:

*Marking Period 1: 20%
*Marking Period 2: 20%

*Midterm Exam: 10%

*Marking Period 3: 20%
*Marking Period 4: 20%

*Final Exam: 10%

LATE WORK POLICY

Learning is a process. My priority is your learning and growth, so focus on understanding the material rather than just submitting a final product. You are allowed to make up missing work as long as they are completed and turned in before the end of the month in which they were assigned.

UNITS OF STUDY

My Perspectives Textbook Units:
- Unit 5 - Discovering the Self
- Unit 1 - Forging a Hero
- Unit 2- Reflecting on Society
- Unit 3 - The Trap of Time

Writing:
- College Essay
- Informative Essays
- Explanatory Essays
- Argumentative Essays
- Narrative/Reflective Essays
- Research Paper

Students will read an Independent Reading Book of their choice every marking period.

Grammar, Language, and Vocabulary

WHAT TO BRING

☐ ELA notebook

☐ Something to write with

☐ ELA binder or folder

☐ Charged Chromebook

CONTACT INFO

We are here to help you succeed! If you have questions or need extra support, feel free to reach out during class, after school, or via email. We encourage parents and guardians to contact us with any concerns or questions.

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