

# English 10 2018-2019

## Syllabus/Schedule

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### Semester Schedule:

Semester 1	
First Quarter	Second Quarter
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Literature: Short Stores &amp; Excerpts from <i>Unbroken</i> by Laura Hildebran</li><li>Writing: Narrative writing &amp; Literary Responses</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Literature: Literature Circles (Books TBA)</li><li>Writing: Literary responses &amp; Research Writing</li></ul>

Semester 2	
Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Literature: TBA</li><li>Writing: Argumentative/Persuasive Writing &amp; Literary Responses</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Literature: <i>Mid-Summer Night's Dream</i> by William Shakespeare &amp; TBA</li><li>Writing: Argument/Persuasive Writing &amp; Literary Responses</li></ul> <p><b>Ongoing (addressed throughout the year): Grammar, MLA, research skills</b></p>

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## Materials Needed:

Below is a list of **suggested** materials needed for this class.

- 1-1.5 inch three ring binder and loose leaf paper (this can be included in a larger binder with other courses if you choose)
- A couple packs of post-its/sticky notes
- Pink, yellow, and green highlighters
- Writing utensils (must have a black or blue pen)
- Colored pencils, or markers
- Hand sanitizer and/or antibacterial wipes (for those of you inclined to donate to our classroom!)
- *\*Lastly, and this is **NOT** a requirement, but if you have, or can purchase personal copies of any of the selected novels it will help you immensely with note taking and reading strategies! Again, this is not a requirement!*

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## Grade Breakdown

The best way to ensure success is to be diligent about due dates and turning assignments in on time. It is imperative that you turn your work in on time. ***If you are absent or have a missing assignment you will have until the end of the unit to turn that assignment in. If they are not turned in by that time they will not be accepted.***

Keeping a daily agenda will help you greatly when trying to get yourself organized. Remember you **MUST** study and complete **ALL** assignments, not only to receive a good grade but also to ensure that you do not have holes in your knowledge. Daily assignments should be looked at as practice for your more important and larger essays and tests. Just like in sports, we must practice concepts in school to master them!

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## Classroom Rules

- **Come to class prepared!** This means in the classroom, in your seat, with your phone turned in, and all the necessary supplies before the bell rings.
- **Be respectful!** In this classroom you will be expected to be kind and courteous to all classmates, teachers, guests, and all classroom materials. This also means not touching things that are not yours, or that you don't have permission to touch. No exceptions. I have no tolerance for cruelty and disrespect, and I will hold you to a high standard in this area.
- **No phones!** Per MVHS policy there is a no tolerance rule of cell phones. At the beginning of each class you will be asked to turn your phone into the classroom phone storage. If you do not do so, your phone will be taken to the office and a parent will need to come pick it up at the end of the day.
- **No snacks!** There will be no snacks or beverages in this classroom with the exception of water. All other items will be thrown out or placed in a locker.
- **No backpacks!** Backpacks, purses, and cinch bags are NOT allowed in the classroom. If you bring one to class I will make you return it to your locker and you will receive a tardy.

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## Classroom Procedures

- **Writing:** All writing submitted for a grade (unless it is in class work) will be typed and in MLA format. It is your responsibility to have this assignments typed, printed, and ready to turn in on the due date. If you ask me to print a paper for you I will say no.
  - **Starting class:** you will be expected to be in your seat, working on your “Bell Ringer” as the bell rings. On occasion bell ringers will be turned in for credit so make sure you are doing your bell ringers daily!
  - **Ending class:** the bell does not excuse you, I do. If you are out of your seat or lining up at the door I will hold you as a class past the bell!
  - **Hall passes:** you will be allowed to leave the classroom to use the restroom, or to retrieve supplies from your locker within reason. If I notice that you are taking advantage of your hall passes, or are gone for an excessive amount of time, I will restrict your hall pass usage.
  - **Absences:** if you are absent it is your responsibility to visit me during MAV time, or right after school. I **WILL NOT** talk to you about missing work during class instruction time, or in the 6 minutes before class starts. You will be able to find most materials on the class website! Also, you will have 2 class periods to turn in work that you have missed when absent, after that grace period the work will be considered late.
  - **Tests, Quizzes, Essays:** there will be no unannounced tests or essays, however there may be “pop quizzes” on occasion so make sure to keep up with your reading! I do not allow retakes. You are in high school now. You need to come to class prepared.
  - **Late work:** If you are absent or missing an assignment you will have until the end of the unit to turn your missing work in. All assignments that are turned in on any other day than the due date will be turned into the “late work” box. Late work will be graded on Fridays only.
  - **Extra credit:** I do not provide extra credit opportunities in my class, however on occasion I will provide opportunities to do extra/alternate assignments, or rework assignments for more credit. If you are behind, I suggest you take advantage of these opportunities!
  - **MAV Time:** Is a voluntary study hall for students who need additional support. Students should attend MAV Time for the class they are struggling in the most; however, students should be aware of each teacher’s individual MAV Time schedule and policy.
    - I hold MAV Time Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings in my classroom 7:15-7:40 AM.
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“The more you **read**  
 the more **things** you know.  
 The more that you **learn**  
 the more **places** you’ll go.”  
 -Dr. Seuss