

“A man, to be greatly good, must imagine intensely and comprehensively; he must put himself in the place of another and of many others; the pains and the pleasures of his species must become his own. The great instrument of the moral good is the imagination.”

-Percy Bysshe Shelly

Advanced Placement English

Mrs. Rotondi

2021-22

As an AP course, this is a rigorous college-level course. The reading is challenging; the writing is frequent and requires an independent mind. We will function as a community of learners. If you are committed to the work as well as listening and learning from each other, this class will ultimately become one in which we are all teachers and students. We will learn from each other, read our writing aloud, work collaboratively on revisions, and share our thoughts, ideas, and observations with one another.

Required Materials- Bring the following materials to class each day:

- A. Pencil
- B. Pen (Blue or Black ink only)
- C. One Spiral 3-5 Subject Notebook
- D. English Folder or Binder
- E. Novel or Assigned Play
- F. 3 Large Glue sticks
- G. Highlighters
- H. Scissors
- I. Mini Stapler with staples
- J. College ruled binder paper

Classroom Behavior- Your responsibilities in this class are:

- A. To attend class regularly;
- B. To be on time;
- C. To be prepared for class;
- D. To meet deadlines
- E. To use your time wisely;
- F. To be actively involved as a group member;
- G. To have a positive attitude; and
- H. To pay attention, listen, and not be disruptive

All students are expected to be positive, contributing members in this class. Be polite and thoughtful of each other. If your behavior prevents our class from functioning smoothly, I will talk to you privately. If unacceptable behavior continues, I will ask to meet with you and your parent/ guardian.

Please read the following book:

How to Read Literature like a Professor by Thomas Foster

The text is available on Amazon or can be checked out from the public library. If you need help with getting these books, please come and speak to me about this before the last day of school this year.

- 1) There will be a test and a project on the summer assignment text during the first week of school.

On your return to school, I will be assigning a group project that will be a presentation; each group will be presenting information on an assigned chapter in the Foster text.

The directions and rubric for the group presentation will be given out during the first week of school.