

English 9 Syllabus

Mrs. Morgan – Fairview High School – 2022-2023 School Year



Welcome!

Welcome to English 9! I am excited to start this year strong and get to know you. This is going to be an awesome year where you will grow as a reader, writer, and speaker and apply your skills throughout your years in high school and beyond.

Class Policies

- Come to class prepared and on time
- Keep phones away during instructional time
- Be engaged as much as possible
- Submit all work for class on time by the due date
- Be respectful of the space and clean up after yourselves
- Ask for a pass in order to leave class for any reason
- Talk to me if you have any questions or concerns during class or email me outside of class
- Attend Office Hours on Tuesdays & Wednesdays after school when needed or as requested

Materials

For class, you will need the following:

- Charged MacBook
- Class reading material
- Pencils/pens
- 1 notebook (spiral or composition) to be used for class notes
- 1 folder for class handouts
- Planner (digital or on paper)

Projects At a Glance

- Defining Self (short stories)
- Fact or Fiction: A Textual Analysis Project (*Of Mice and Men*)
- The Hero's Journey (*The Odyssey*)

- Poetry and the People (poetry selections)
- Speaking Out through *Dry* (*Dry* and research from databases)

Important Links

In order to get up-to-date information including activities completed in class, assignments due, and reminders, please use the link below to access my website and daily agenda.

Summit PLP

- www.summitlearning.org

Today in English 9

- www.bit.ly/morganeng9

Teacher Website

- www.sites.google.com/fairview.k12.oh.us/mrs-morgan

Grading Breakdown

Projects = 80% of total grade

- Checkpoints are **required to be completed** in order to submit Final Products
- Final Products are graded through the Cognitive Skill Rubric

Power Focus Areas= 14% of total grade

- These need to be completed by the end of the school year
- Focus areas that are not completed by the suggested time will be marked in **RED** and will negatively affect your grade

Additional Focus Areas= 6% of total grade

- These are required to be completed in order to earn the highest grade possible

Deadline Policy

- Projects must to be submitted **ON THE PLATFORM DUE DATE**
- There is a one-week grace-period past the deadline. If there is a possibility your project might be submitted late for any reason, you must **conference with me** in person or through email and/or **attend OFFICE HOURS Tuesday and Wednesday after school**
- In order to submit the Final Products, all required checkpoints in the project need to be completed and marked **GREEN** or **YELLOW**
- You must use class time wisely in order to follow the correct pace to meet the deadline of the project

Focus Area Requirements

- All Power Focus Areas need to be completed by the end of the school year
- You must follow the pacing in the platform and in class in order to complete all focus areas in a timely manner
- Use the Goal-Setting tool to help you stay on pace
- Focus areas that are not completed on time will be marked in **RED** and will negatively affect your grade
- Focus areas are to be taken in class during SDL time
- You may only request a focus area once you have completed **at least 1 page** of notes in your notebook using the resources in the focus area
- You need to complete an Assessment Template while taking the focus area that is checked by me **BEFORE** submitting the assessment
- You may retake a focus area once you have shown you have prepared by taking more notes and reviewing focus area materials
- You make retake a focus area once on the same day only if you have received a 7/10



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