What my child needs to know in High School Language Arts?

NINTH GRADE LANGUAGE ARTS
• Demonstrate effective ways to comprehend speaker's message, including summarizing text • Recognize that complex and literary informational texts require interpretation • Use the writing process to develop expository and narrative texts • Recognize reliable sources and employ problem-solving strategies

TENTH GRADE LANGUAGE ARTS
• Consider what types of content will influence an audience • Understand how conventions, literary, and historical influences affect the development of informational text • Consider how style, organization, and conventions will engage or entertain an audience • Collect, analyze and evaluate information from multiple sources to answer questions, propose solutions, and share findings

ELEVENTH GRADE LANGUAGE ARTS
• Recognize verbal and nonverbal cues to determine relevance of message • Evaluate literary and informational texts to determine how structure equates to meaning • Apply writing process to engage, entertain, inform, and influence an audience • Research a complex situation requiring analysis of ethical issues

TWELFTH GRADE LANGUAGE ARTS
• Understands appropriate methods for effective speaking and collaboration within informal and formal groups • Interpret and evaluate complex informational and literary texts using appropriate techniques

- Craft persuasive and academic essays demonstrating an awareness of audience and purpose; demonstrating mastery of standard English conventions
- Design and defend a self-guided argument, free of opinions, inferences, and false premises, to justify information and solutions