

# **Freshmen Focus**

**Let's start high school  
off right!**



# Campus Resources

- Assistant Principal—Mr. Pasquini
- Nurse
- Athletic Director
- Attendance
- School Counselors
- School Social Worker
- Youth Service Officer
- XL After school program
- Community Resource Agencies
  - A- Solutions
  - VYS



## MEET OUR COUNSELING TEAM



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A-CAR



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CAS-FUE



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FUF-JIM



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ASST. PRINCIPAL

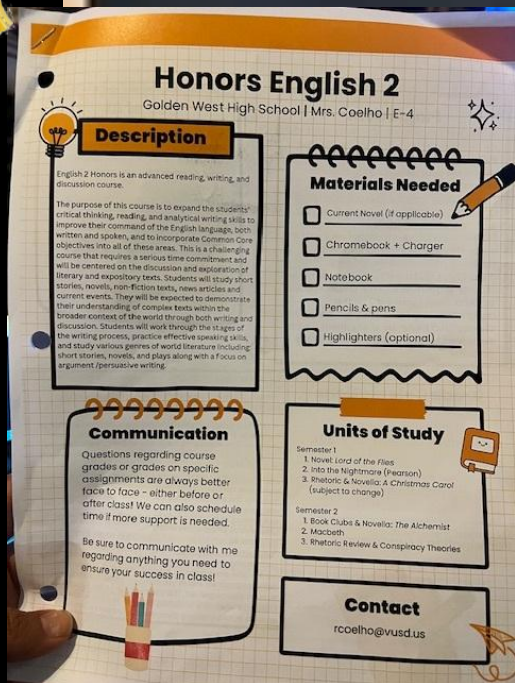
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# Check Class Syllabi



**Honors English 2**  
Golden West High School | Mrs. Coelho | E-4

**Description**

English 2 Honors is an advanced reading, writing, and discussion course.

The purpose of this course is to expand the students' critical thinking, reading, and analytical writing skills to improve their command of the English language, both written and spoken, and to incorporate Common Core objectives into all of these areas. This is a challenging course that requires a serious time commitment and will be centered on the discussion and exploration of literary and expository texts. Students will study short stories, novels, non-fiction texts, news articles and current events. They will be expected to demonstrate their understanding of complex texts within the broader context of the world through both writing and discussion. Students will work through the stages of the writing process, practice effective speaking skills, and study various genres of world literature including short stories, novels, and plays along with a focus on argument/persuasive writing.

**Materials Needed**

- Current Novel (if applicable)
- Chromebook + Charger
- Notebook
- Pencils & pens
- Highlighters (optional)

**Communication**

Questions regarding course grades or grades on specific assignments are always better face to face - either before or after class! We can also schedule time if more support is needed.

Be sure to communicate with me regarding anything you need to ensure your success in class!

**Units of Study**

Semester 1

1. Novel: *Lord of the Flies*
2. *Into the Nightmare* (Pearson)
3. Prolog & Novella: *A Christmas Carol* (subject to change)

Semester 2

1. Book Clubs & Novella: *The Alchemist*
2. Macbeth
3. Rhetoric Review & Conspiracy Theories

**Contact**  
rcoelho@vusd.us

- Review the syllabi given to your students!
  - The class syllabus will have contact information (email), office hours, and class policies
- What if my student needs help from their teacher?
  - Refer to the syllabus for contact information and when to see teacher



# Grades in High School Matter

90-100%=A

80-89%=B

70-79%=C

60-69%=D

Students  
earn  
credits



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0-59%=F

NO credits earned for the course

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Attendance By Class																					
Exp	Last Week					This Week					Course	P1	P2	S1	P4	P5	S2	Absences		Tardies	
	M	T	W	H	F	M	T	W	H	F								S1	22-23	S1	22-23
1(A)					TUN						Intro to Wood [5] Villalobos, Andrew	A 94.16 O	B+ 87.2 O	B+ 87.2				0	0	5	5
2(A)											Health [5] Rodgers, David	D+ 67.58 S	F 35.21 N	F 28.26 S				0	0	4	4
3(A)											Integrated Math 1 A (P) [5] Nunez-Ornelas, Kaylee	B 86.14 S	B+ 87.53	B+ 87.53				1	1	0	0
4(A)											English 1 (P) [5] Liu, Benjamin B	F 33.96 S	F 39.6 S	F 39.6				0	0	0	0
5(A)											Drama 1 (P) [5] Anders, Ryan	A- 90.9 S	A- 90.32	A- 90.32				1	1	1	1
6(A)	UNV				TUN						Core Phys Educ [5] Robles, Cesar	A+ 99.16 S	A- 92.71 S	A- 92.71				2	2	3	3
<b>Attendance Totals</b>																	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	

Current Weighted GPA (S1): 2.33

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## Assignment Scores

Due Date	Category	Assignment	Flags	Score	%	Grd
01/09/2018	CW	Hero's Journey Circle		10/10	100	A+
01/10/2018	CW	Myth Packet 1		0/10	0	F
01/12/2018	CW	Athena Packet		0/10	0	F
01/18/2018	CW	Achilles Packet		10/10	100	A+
01/19/2018	CW	Presentation		9/10	90	A-
01/19/2018	W	God/Goddess Research		5/5	100	A+
01/22/2018	CW	Trojan War		9/10	90	A-
02/02/2018	HW	Circe		0/10	0	F
02/05/2018	A	Quiz 1		--/8		
02/06/2018	CW	The Land of the Dead		9/10	90	A-

✔ - Collected, ▲ - Late, ■ - Missing, ◆ - Score is exempt from final grade, ✖ - Assignment is not included in final grade

# Grade Reports Emailed to you!

This is a notification from Visalia Unified School District (Chase)

Notification from Visalia Unified School District <Notification@target11012.brightarrow.com>

to me ▾

Hello,

Attached is your student's grade report for the P5 grading period which ended on 4/11/2025.

Thank you.

## Session 5 Grade Report

### School Info

Golden West High School  
1717 N McAuliff St  
Visalia, CA 93292  
Phone: 559-730-7801  
Principal: Michel Lambert  
School Year: 2024-2025  
Reporting Period: P5

### Student Info

Name	Chase Gajdusek
Grade	9
Student ID	917283
Counselor	Joy Rubio
Session GPA	2.83
Academic Eligibility	Eligible

Course	Period	Teacher	Grade	P5		Absences	Tardies	Comments
				Citizenship	GPA Points			
Intro to Wood [5]	1(A)	Villalobos, Andrew	B	O	3	3	0	
Chemistry (P) [5]	2(A)	Elsharkawy, Tarek	B+	S	3	2	7	
Integrated Core PE 1 [5]	3(A)	Robles, Cesar	A	O	4	2	0	
Integrated Math 2 B (P) [5]	4(A)	Wood Jr, Terry	C+	S	2	2	5	
English 1 H (P) [5]	5(A)	McCaw, John	C	O	2	2	0	
Studio Art 1 (P) [5]	6(A)	Tadeo, Cristal	B+	S	3	2	1	

# Physical Education: An Unlikely Key to Success

Students who do well in PE, have a great high school careers!

- Dress out (White/Gray shirt, black shorts. May be bought for \$20.)
- Show up to class
- Give your best effort (you don't have to be the best athlete)

Doing so creates a sense of accomplishment. It also completes half of the PE requirement for graduation.

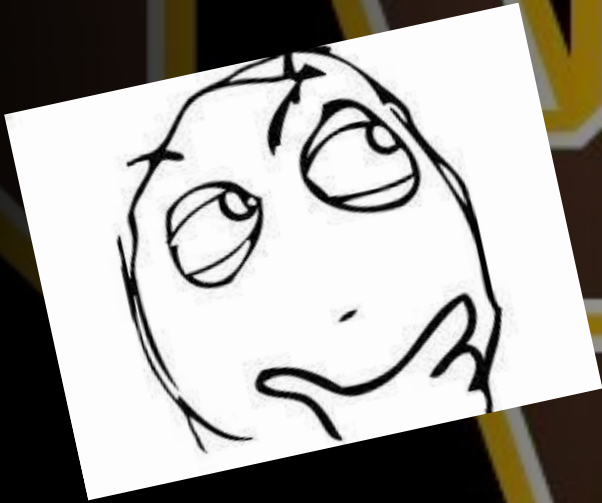
Grades change drastically when students don't dress out.



# Missing on PE Takes Time to Recover

	Points	Total Points	Percent	Grade
Week 1	75/75	75 / 75	100.00%	A
Week 2	0/60	75 / 135	55.56%	F
Week 3	75/75	150 / 210	71.43%	C
Week 4	75/75	225 / 285	78.95%	C+
Week 5	75/75	300 / 360	83.33%	B
Week 6	75/75	375 / 435	86.21%	B
Week 7	75/75	450 / 510	88.24%	B+
Week 8	75/75	525 / 585	89.74%	B+
Week 9	75/75	600 / 660	90.91%	A-

# When do students earn credits?



Semester 1	Semester 2
August	January
September	February
October	March
November	April
<b>December (30 credits)</b>	<b>June (30 credits)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>60 credits/year</b>





# GW Graduation Requirements

English	4 years	40 credits
History	3 years	30 credits
Mathematics	3 years	30 credits
Science	2 years	20 credits
Health	½ year	5 credits
Physical Education*	2 years	20 credits
Fine Art/Foreign Language	1 years	10 credits
Electives		65 credits


\*Students can receive PE Waiver for 10 credits with the completion of 2 sports seasons or 2 fall seasons of marching band or color guard

Earn a Total of 220 credits for graduation



# A-G Requirements

**Course requirements for admissions to a California 4-year University (CSU or UC)**

Requirements	Subject	Years
A	Social Science	2
B	English	4
C	Mathematics	3
D	Lab Science	2
 E	Foreign Language (same language)	2
F	Visual & Performing Arts	1
G	College Prep Electives	1
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>

**Must complete 15 “A-G” courses by the end of the Senior Year;  
must complete 11 “A-G” courses by the end of 11th grade for UC**

Some universities desire additional courses in subject requirements. Students should visit the college website to determine additional classes desired by the specific college.

**Example: Cal Poly San Luis Obispo desires additional semesters of Math, Science and a Visual & Performing Art.**

# CTE Pathways



**Intro to  
Video**

**Advanced  
Filmmaking**

**Intro Auto  
Tech**

**Advanced Auto  
Mechanics**



**Intro to  
Wood**

**Wood Product  
Construction 2**

**Metal  
Manufacturing  
1**

**Metal  
Manufacturing 2**



**Ag Mechanics 1**

**Ag Mechanics 2**

**Ag Mechanics 3**

**Ag Science**

**Animal Science**

**Vet Science**

# Tutoring Options:

## XL Program (library)

## Paper

**October** **GOLDEN WEST XL WEEKLY** **ENRICHMENT PROGRAM SCHEDULE**  
 Site Director: Carlos Hernandez  
 Site Phone: (559)731-5621

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>A.M. TUTORIAL</b> 7:00AM-9:30AM IN THE GWHS LIBRARY	<b>A.M. TUTORIAL</b> 7:00AM-9:30AM IN THE GWHS LIBRARY	<b>A.M. TUTORIAL</b> 7:00AM-9:30AM IN THE GWHS LIBRARY	<b>A.M. TUTORIAL</b> 7:00AM-9:30AM IN THE GWHS LIBRARY	<b>A.M. TUTORIAL</b> 7:00AM-9:30AM IN THE GWHS LIBRARY
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<b>WEIGHT TRAINING</b> 3:35-5:10PM IN WEIGHT ROOM	<b>MATH/PERSONAL FINANCE</b> 3:35-5:05PM IN ROOM P-15	<b>SPIRIT ALEADERSHIP DESIGN</b> 3:35-5:05PM IN THE ASB ROOM (B-8)	<b>CHEMISTRY TUTORIAL</b> 3:30-5:00 PM IN ROOM B-4	<b>AM STUDENT CENTER</b> 7:00-8:30AM IN ROOM L-19
<b>E-SPORTS-CONSOLES</b> 3:35-5:05PM IN ROOM B-1	<b>SOCCER CONDITIONING</b> 3:30-5:30PM IN GWHS SOCCER FIELD	<b>HIP HOP DANCE</b> 3:35-5:05PM IN DANCE ROOM	<b>HIP HOP DANCE</b> 3:30-5:05PM IN DANCE ROOM	<b>P.M. TUTORING</b> 3:30-5:30PM IN GWHS LIBRARY
<b>PM STUDENT CENTER</b> 3:30-6:30PM IN ROOM L-19	<b>WEIGHT TRAINING</b> 3:35-5:10PM IN WEIGHT ROOM	<b>E-SPORTS-CONSOLES</b> 3:35-5:05PM IN ROOM B-1	<b>SPIRIT ALEADERSHIP DESIGN</b> 3:35-5:05PM IN THE ASB ROOM (B-8)	<b>WEIGHT TRAINING</b> 3:35-5:10PM IN WEIGHT ROOM
	<b>LAW &amp; JUSTICE</b> 3:35-5:05PM IN ROOM P-38	<b>WEIGHT TRAINING</b> 3:35-5:10PM IN WEIGHT ROOM	<b>SOCCER CONDITIONING</b> 3:30-5:30PM IN GWHS SOCCER FIELD	<b>DUNGEON &amp; DRAGONS</b> 3:35-5:00PM IN ROOM-39
	<b>PM STUDENT CENTER</b> 3:30-6:30PM IN ROOM L-19	<b>DUNGEON &amp; DRAGONS</b> 3:35-5:10PM IN ROOM-39	<b>WEIGHT TRAINING</b> 3:35-5:10PM IN WEIGHT ROOM	<b>PM STUDENT CENTER</b> 3:30-6:30PM IN ROOM L-19

**NOTES/UPCOMING EVENTS**  
 FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM @GWHS-XL

**XL CAFE**  
3:30PM-6:15PM IN ROOM L-19  
SNACKS AVAILABLE EVERYDAY

**SNACK TIME**  
MINDFULNESS OCT 12, 2022

**GW CAR SHOW**  
OCT 22, 2022

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# Blaze the Trail to Success

**CLASS OF 2029**

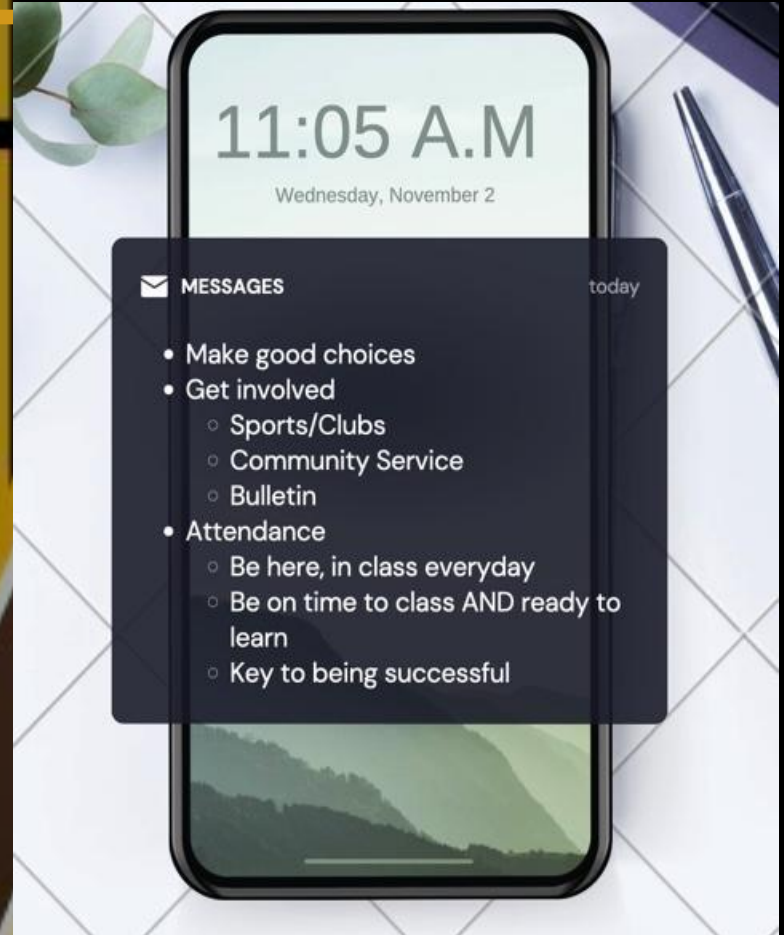
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Wednesday, November 2

MESSAGES

today

- Make good choices
- Get involved
  - Sports/Clubs
  - Community Service
  - Bulletin
- Attendance
  - Be here, in class everyday
  - Be on time to class AND ready to learn
  - Key to being successful

# College/Career Exploration

**Start exploring College and Career interest**

- **Access through Clever!**



**Research majors/professions**

**Check A-G progress**

**Visit college websites**



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Password

Sign In

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# See Something, Say Something

## Say Something Tips

See It. Report It.

The Say Something Anonymous Reporting System allows you to submit secure, anonymous safety concerns to help someone who may hurt themselves or others.

Submit A Tip

[www.vusd.org/saysomething](http://www.vusd.org/saysomething)

**SAYSOMETHING**<sup>™</sup>

ANONYMOUS REPORTING SYSTEM

How To Submit An Anonymous Tip



**Any  
Questions?**

