

Lakeview Leadership Academy

English Honors 8 Syllabus

2026-2027



Teacher Information:

Teacher	Email	Location and Hours
Mr. Ferrara	mferrara@vvuhsd.org	Room 204 9:15 A.M. - 4:20 P.M.

Course Description:

The English 8 course focuses on reading, writing, language, informational text, speaking and listening, and research skills. Students will read and critically analyze texts across all genres and demonstrate their ability to apply the formal writing process to argumentative, expository, narrative, research, and descriptive writing.

Required Resources:

- Chromebook
- myPerspective English textbook
- Student Planner

Suggested Supplies:

- College ruled notebook paper (college ruled)
- Blue/Black ink pens
- No. 2 Pencils
- Post-its
- Highlighters

Tardy Policy:

If you are not in class when the tardy bell rings, YOU ARE LATE!

1 Tardy= warning

2 Tardy= call home

3+ Tardy = call home and parent conference

Bathroom Policy:

You are not allowed to leave class for any reason during the first or last 10 minutes of class. You must use a "Bathroom Pass" in order to leave class for any reason. You will receive three bathroom passes per quarter. Unused passes will be collected quarterly for extra credit. Please be responsible to not lose valuable instructional minutes.

Electronics Policy:

Cell phones, Smart/Recording Glasses, and earbuds/headphones must be silenced and out of sight. A box is available on the teacher's desk. You will be asked to remove beanies, hoodies, or anything that is covering your ears during class.

Student Expectations:

I will:

- 1. Come to class ready to learn (with supplies and a growth mindset).
- 2. Stay in my seat at ALL times (for everyone’s safety), unless I have been given consent to get up.
- 3. Raise my hand to speak and wait to be called on.
- 4. Be respectful of my peers, the teacher, and the classroom (use appropriate language).
- 5. Keep personal electronics locked up, with food, and drinks in my backpack.

Attendance Policy:

If the student has an excused absence on Friday, all work will be due on the date of return. If a student is absent for an extended period of time, it is the student’s responsibility to ask for missing assignments and/or make-up quizzes/tests in the allotted time.

Late Work Policy:

All classwork and homework will be due on the Friday of the week it is assigned unless indicated otherwise. No exceptions.

Plagiarism/AI Technologies:

Copying someone else's ideas or words is not acceptable. If I *suspect* that your work is plagiarized or using AI for any grading categories, you will receive a zero and a phone call home.

Grading Scale:

- A = 90% - 100%
- B = 80% - 89%
- C = 70% – 79%
- D = 60% – 69%
- F = 59% and below

Grading Categories:

- Assessments (Essays/Exams/Projects) = 40%
- Quizzes = 10%
- Assignments = 40%
- Participation = 10%

Parents/Guardians:

Parents, please review the information above, sign below, and have your student return the signed syllabus for credit. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me. An electronic copy of this document will be posted in Google Classroom as a reference.

Printed Student’s Name:

Date:

Printed Parent’s Name:

Date:

Parent’s Signature:

Date:

Contact Information: E-mail/Phone #: