# Mrs. Johnson's 10th Grade English Syllabus 2020-2021

## **Teacher Contact Information**

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All parents and students will be encouraged to participate in **REMIND101** communications to receive updates on assignments, deadlines, and class happenings!

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## **Course Expectations**

English 10 General and Honors will provide your child with a rigorous learning experience designed to meet the College & Career Ready standards. Each student will be expected to demonstrate academic integrity (completing his/her OWN work), a committed work ethic, and respect for the learning of others.

Evidence of student learning will be displayed through the evaluation/analysis of course readings as well as a variety of assessments developed to engage students through writing, the use of technology, and project based applications. As a pre-cursor to the AP curriculum for which your student may obtain college credit, It is imperative that each student commits to: exercising independent study skills, completing assignments, meeting deadlines, and participating as a valued member of a collaborative classroom culture.

# **Classroom Management**

Rules to Learn by	Checkpoint Charlie
Be PRESENT & PROMPT	✓ WARNING
Be PREPARED	✓STUDENT CONFERENCE + PARENT CONTACT
Be AWARE OF & FOLLOW "BYOD" NORMS	✓AFTER-SCHOOL DETENTION (30 MINS) + PC
Be AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT FROM BELL 2 BELL	✓ REFERRAL
TREAT OTHERS THE WAY YOU WISH TO BE TREATED AT ALL TIMES!!	NOTE: Inappropriate/threatening language/behavior = automatic referral!

ALL "Checkpoint Charlie" procedures will be administered according to school policy in conjunction with administrative permissions and parent communication.

#### **Evaluation Standards**

All student work will be evaluated according to weights developed by the ELA department of Daleville High School. These values are as follows:

- Informal Assessments (Classwork/Homework): 30%
- Formal Assessments (Papers/Projects/Presentations): 50%
- Participation (Journaling/Class Discussions) 20%
- At the end of the year., students will take a final exam weighted @ 20% of the overall grade

\*\*Note: Cheating on any assessment will result in an automatic zero and parent contact.\*\*

Student work should be completed with attention to quality, deadlines, and personal achievement.

#### **Course Outline**

#### Module 1: Pursuit of Freedom

- Intro to Early American Lit/Rhetoric
- Understanding Cultural Context, Emergence of Theme, Tone, Mood, Author's Intent, Characterization
- A Raisin in the Sun by Lorraine Hansberry, LBJ, Plessy v Ferguson
- Writing for Analysis of Theme
- Skills: Annotation, Reflection, Analysis, Use of Evidence, Discussion

#### Research Paper: Lit. Critical Analysis Poe, Hawthorne, McCarthyism

Writing for Analysis/Evaluation

The Crucible, Arthur Miller

- Skills: Research, Analysis, Evaluation, Use of Evidence, Discussion

**Module 2: Pursuit of Justice & Tolerance** 

Character/Conflict Analysis & Symbolism

#### **Module 3: Pursuit of Ideals**

- Transcendentalism
- Emerson, Whitman, Dickinson, Thoreau
- Review of Rhetorical Appeals/Devices
- Writing for Analysis/Persuasion
- Julius Caesar, Shakespeare
- Skills: Rhetorical Analysis, Use of Evidence, Evaluation, Synthesis Essay

# **Module 4: Pursuit of Identity**

- Writing/illustrating to Express/Create
- Crane, Price, & Bierce
- Skills: Analysis, Evaluation, Expression, Creation of Digital Media