**EAGLE ACADEMY FOR YOUNG MEN OF NEWARK**

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**English IV**

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| **Course & Grade Level** | English IV |
| **Room #** | Room 426 |
| **Webex Info** | <https://nboe.webex.com/meet/l13brown> |
| **Course Description** | Twelfth grade English is a full year course designed to expose students to nonfiction and fictional texts. Readings from the text, *Into Literature*, are focused primarily on British and World Literature. Students will also read various novels throughout the year. In this course, students will continuously work on improving their reading, writing, speaking and critical thinking skills in preparation for the ACT/SAT, college, career and life. Scholars will sharpen skills to analyze and evaluate relevant works and organize ideas in well-thought out essays and discussions. In our world, communication skills are extremely important be it in relationships with those around us or in finding success in lifelong goals.  Through short lectures, small and whole group discussions, pair-share activities, as well as independent assignments, students will delve into varying themes in each unit or collection of works. As a community of learners, the class will focus on growth more than perfection. Students will be expected to make and learn from mistakes through supportive feedback from the instructor and their peers. Students will have an opportunity to demonstrate learning and mastery of skills through various forms of assessment including: tests, quizzes, essays, presentations and projects. |
| **Required Materials** | * 1 Notebook (preferably a 3 subject notebook with pockets for hand - outs) * Post-it notes * Pens/pencils (blue or black ink) * Highlighters * Folder * Text: Into Literature (provided by the teacher) |
| **Policies & Procedures** | 1. If a student cuts class, he will receive a zero for any written assignments, tests, or quizzes on that day.  2. Points will be deducted for each day an assignment is late. (If there are extreme circumstances, please speak with the instructor to come up with a fair agreement and timeline for work submission.)  3. If a student cheats on a test, quiz, or project, he will receive an automatic grade of zero.  4. Students have the opportunity to earn extra points for rewriting essays and /or revising assessment responses.  *This is an easy way to improve one’s grade and improve one’s writing skills.* |
| **Grading Policy** | **Category Percent of Grade**  **Summative Assessments 70%**  **Formative Assessments 30%**  **Summative Assessments** include, but are not limited to the following::  unit tests, performance based assessments, project based assessments, portfolios, essays, mid term and final examinations.  **Formative Assessments**  includes, but are not limited to the following:  Do nows, daily instructional tasks, homework, drafts of essays, quizzes, exit tickets, standards mastery performance tasks, class participation    Gradebook will be updated on Powerschool weekly/bi-weekly |
| **Attendance & Tardiness Policy** | Attendance and punctuality are necessary for successful completion of this course. In the event that you have an excused absence (with a slip from the office) it is your responsibility to obtain make-up work and/or reschedule any missed tests or quizzes. An unexcused absence will result in a zero on **ALL** assignments associated with that academic day. |
| **Electronic Device Policy** | We will participate in classroom activities that may require the use of personal devices. It is the expectation that devices will only be used for academic purposes during class. Any inappropriate use (social media, cheating, FaceTime, phone calls, etc.) is strictly prohibited. |
| **Classwork & Homework Policies** | * All assignments must be turned in on time. Late assignments will be accepted under the following conditions: a) the assignment is submitted at the beginning of the next class session, immediately following the due date [10 points will be deducted from the earned grade] **AND** b) the assignment has not been reviewed in class or graded/returned by the teacher. * All essays and research papers must be typed in MLA format. * Students are required to rewrite all essays that receive a grade below 70% * You must read the assigned literature selections and actively participate in class (discussion, activities, group work, etc.). * Students will be required to adhere to the following guidelines for handwritten assignments:   + Use blue or black ink **(assignments written in pencil or other colors of ink will not be accepted)**   + Left and right margins must be observed   + Loose-leaf notebook paper may be used   + Written work must be legible and neat |

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| **Course Timeline** | |
| **MP #1:**  **Sept. 5 - Nov. 9** | Personal Writing |
| **MP#2:**  **Nov. 10 - Jan. 24** | Hamlet |
| **MP #3:**  **Jan 29 - Apr. 12** |  |
| **MP #4:**  **Apr. 13 - June 19** |  |
| **Student Signature** |  |
| **Parent Signature** |  |
| **Office Hours** | By appointment only |
|  | [Pacing Guide](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-vRgzZW1gnxXHH0BsXJEsTafmXQwcedRsHK4jI6Rwmk/edit) |