English Language Arts 10

## COURSE DESCRIPTION:

English Language Arts 10 is a tenth grade language arts course which emphasizes the development and mastery of the skills and objectives outlined in the $9-10$ grade band of the Common Core State Standards adopted by the state of Ohio and included on the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers assessments. Students will explore a wide range of literary and informational texts that extend across genres, cultures, and centuries. Texts will include, but are not limited to, seminal U.S. documents, the classics of American literature, the timeless dramas of Shakespeare, and high-quality contemporary works. Technology is used strategically so that students become adept at gathering information, evaluating sources, citing material accurately, reporting findings from research, and analyzing sources in a clear and cogent manner. Students will have ample opportunities to take part in a variety of rich, structured conversations-as part of a whole class, in small groups, and with a partner-built around important content in various domains. In writing and speaking students will choose words, syntax, and punctuation to express themselves and achieve particular functions and rhetorical effects. An extensive vocabulary, built through reading and study, will enable students to comprehend complex texts to engage in purposeful writing about, and conversations around, the rich content.

COURSE OBJECTIVE:
This course meets all Common Core Standards for the grade level adopted by the State of Ohio Board of Education.

COURSE MATERIALS:
Elements of Literature Fourth Course
Elements of Language Fourth Course and
Collections Online Interactive Edition with Close Reader
by Holt, Rinehart, and Winston
Access to computers, web-based knowledge, and library resources.
COURSE POLICIES:
Papers are due and accepted before/on the due date. Papers will NOT be graded after the due date regardless of excused or unexcused absences. All other make-up work must be completed following the procedures in the student handbook. Plagiarized work will result in a failing grade.

GRADING:
$90 \%-100 \%=\mathbf{A}$
$80 \%-89 \%=\mathbf{B} \quad$ Plagiarized work will result in a failing grade
$70 \%-79 \%=\mathbf{C}$
$60 \%-69 \%=\mathbf{D}$
$0 \%-59 \%=\mathbf{F} \quad$ Extra Credit may be given as needed at the discretion of the teacher.

## CONTACT INFORMATION:



