**Ninth Grade Literature/Composition**

**Course Description:** This college prep course integrates reading both fiction and nonfiction, composition, grammar and usage, speaking, and listening. Students read a variety of works from multiple genres, cultures, and time periods. It covers the writing process; the development of vocabulary; and speaking, listening and research skills. Additional Information End of Course Test included in curriculum.

**Pre-requisites:** Eighth Grade Placement Chart

**Grade Level:** 9

**Terms Offered:** Fall & Spring

**Unit of Credit:** 1.0

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**Ninth Grade Literature/Composition (Honors)**

**Course Description:** This accelerated college prep course is designed for the student who has a serious interest in the interpretation of literature. It integrates reading both fiction and nonfiction, composition, grammar and usage, speaking, and listening. Students read a variety of works from multiple genres, cultures, and time periods. It covers the writing process; the development of vocabulary; and speaking, listening, and research skills. It also emphasizes oral and written response to literature. Additional Information End of Course Test included in curriculum.

**Pre-requisites:** Eighth Grade Placement Chart

**Grade Level:** 9

**Terms Offered:** Fall & Spring

**Units of Credit:** 1.0

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**World Literature/Composition**

**Course Description:** This college prep course surveys the words of the early literature of the world through the present day. Skills in literary analysis and critical thinking are stressed. Literary terms, vocabulary study and composition techniques will be incorporated.

**Pre-requisites:** One to two units English credit

**Grade Levels:** 10

**Terms Offered:** Fall & Spring

**Units of Credit:** 1.0

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**World Literature/Composition (Honors)**

**Course Description:** This accelerated college prep course is designed for the student who has a serious interest in interpreting literature. It includes literary selections from the entire world of writers to promote proficiency through a variety of writing styles. Stressing organization and development of written thought, it includes grammar, mechanics and usage, and research skills and activities designed to enhance speaking and listening abilities.

**Pre-requisites:** One to two of English credits

**Grade Levels:** 9-10

**Terms Offered:** Fall & Spring

**Units of Credit:** 1.0
American Literature/Composition
Course Description: This college prep class surveys American works and authors and will provide writing experiences related to the interpretation of literature. Grammar, vocabulary development, listening, speaking, and research will also be included. Additional Information End of Course Test included in curriculum
Pre-requisites: 2 units of English including 1 unit of 9th Literature/Composition
Grade Levels: 11
Terms Offered: Fall & Spring
Units of Credit: 1.0

American Literature/Composition (Honors)
Course Description: This accelerated college prep course is designed for the student who has a serious interest in interpreting literature. It covers a variety of literary genres and multicultural writers in a chronological or thematic pattern. It emphasizes developing control in expository writing with thesis support, personal narrative, descriptive and persuasive writing, and refining research skills. It covers grammar, mechanics and usage. Additional Information End of Course Test included in curriculum
Pre-requisites: 2 units of English including 1 unit of 9th Literature/Composition
Grade Levels: 11
Terms Offered: Fall & Spring

AP English Language & Composition/American Literature
Course Description: This course conforms to the College Board’s course description for AP English Language and Composition as well as the Georgia Standards of Excellence for American Literature. With the goals of developing critical literacy and facilitating informed citizenship, this course guides students through reading and writing activities aligned to an introductory college-level rhetoric and writing curriculum. Students deepen and expand their understanding of how written language functions rhetorically by reading a variety of texts and writing analytic and argumentative essays that proceed through several stages or drafts. Students evaluate, synthesize, and cite research to support their arguments.
*The state mandated Georgia Milestones End of Course Assessment is required and counts 20% of the student’s overall course grade.
Prerequisite: 2 or 3 units of English credit, including 1 unit in 9th Literature/Composition
Grade levels: 11
Terms Offered: Fall & Spring
Units of Credit: 1.0

British Literature/Composition
Course Description: This college prep course surveys British works and authors, providing writing experiences related to the interpretations of literature. Grammar, vocabulary development, listening, speaking and research will also be included.
Pre-requisites: Three units of English credit
Grade Levels: 11-12
Terms Offered: Fall & Spring
Units of Credit: 1.0
**British Literature/Composition (Honors)**

**Course Description:** This accelerated college prep course is designed for the student who has a serious interest in interpreting literature. It offers opportunities to improve reading, writing, speaking/listening and critical thinking skills through the study of literary selections from British writers organized chronologically or thematically. It emphasizes developing control in expository writing with thesis support, personal narrative, descriptive and persuasive writing, and refining research skills. It covers grammar, mechanics and usage.

**Pre-requisites:** Three units of English credit

**Grade Levels:** 11-12

**Terms Offered:** Fall & Spring

**Units of Credit:** 1.0

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**Dramatic Writing for Film & Television I**

**Course Description:** This course applies skills to culminate in creating and developing dramatic writing for theatrical media with special emphasis on film and television. It includes development of a “writerly stance” by reading, viewing, and analyzing texts and visual media from a writer’s point of view, with focus on understanding the construction process and including the application of conventions of Standard English grammar and usage.

**Note:** This course meets fourth English Language Arts core requirement.

**Prerequisite:** 3 units of English credit, including 1 unit in 9th Literature/Composition and 1 unit in American Literature/Composition

**Grade levels:** 12

**Terms Offered:** Fall & Spring

**Units of Credit:** 1.0

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**AP English Literature & Composition**

**Course Description:** This course conforms to the College Board’s course description for AP English Literature and Composition. With the goal of developing students’ ability to experience, interpret, and evaluate literature, the course offers opportunities to read poetry, drama, fiction (both novel and short story), and expository prose. Emphasis is placed on the literary artistry of a work and how its author attempts to capture and convey human experience. Writing assignments focus on the critical analysis of literature and include expository, analytical, and argumentative essays as well as creative writing to deepen students’ understanding of how literature is written. Reading selections include sophisticated works aligned with an introductory college-level literature course.

**Prerequisite:** 3 units of English credit, including 1 unit in 9th Literature/Composition and 1 unit in American Literature/Composition

**Grade levels:** 12

**Terms Offered:** Fall & Spring

**Units of Credit:** 1.0
**Journalism I**

**Course Description:** This introductory course explores elements of journalism including laws and ethics, research and writing, technology and visual design, and publication management and organization. This is an English elective course.

**Prerequisite:** none  
**Grade levels:** 9-12  
**Terms Offered:** Fall and Spring  
**Units of Credit:** 1.0

**Journalism II**

**Course Description:** This course builds on students’ exploration of elements of journalism and expands opportunities for publication. This is an English elective course.

**Prerequisite:** Journalism I  
**Grade levels:** 9-12  
**Terms Offered:** Fall and Spring  
**Units of Credit:** 1.0

**Mythology**

**Course Description:** This course explores mythology through literature and film. Focusing on a study of modern mythology, the student develops an understanding of chronological context and relevance of period structures in literature within mythologies of different time periods around the world. This is an English elective course.

**Prerequisite:** none  
**Grade levels:** 9-12  
**Terms Offered:** Fall and Spring  
**Units of Credit:** 1.0