

# English 11

2013-2014 Syllabus

## I. Description

English 11 is a class that is designed to be a step between English 10 and the electives that you will take during your senior year. English 11 is more of a general English class (compared to grammar and composition) and will focus on all areas of writing and communication. In this class we will also explore some practical English skills needed for the workplace (resumes, interviews, basic writing skills, etc.).

## II. Needed Supplies

All students should come to class with a notebook and a folder. If you do not currently have a Google Docs account, you will need to create one. We should be taking care of this during class in upcoming days.

## III. Class Routines

Although we do not have a textbook for this course, we will be reading a variety of novels, short stories, and other works. You are expected to take good care of the novels and bring them to class each day. Although you will be given class time for writing assignments, you will be expected to use class time for those assignments and to meet deadlines. We will focus on methods of organization in order to help all students keep track of and meet assignment deadlines.

## IV. Teacher Expectations

I expect each student to come to class prepared. If I assign homework, I expect you to complete it. If I want you to read a few pages of your novel, I expect you to read it. Your success in this class hinges upon your willingness to do the work that is assigned to the best of your ability. No matter what profession you choose after high school, you will need good reading and writing skills. That is where this class comes in.

## V. Grading

Grading follows the standard grading scale outlined in the school handbook. It is very important that you keep up with daily assignments! If you are gone, it is YOUR responsibility to find out what we did that day -- via the assignments page or by communicating with me. Please do not rely on your classmates to get accurate assignment descriptions. Talk to me directly or send me a message via email or Google Docs in order to find out what you need to make up if it's not clear on the assignments page.

It is required that you do ALL the assignments in this course in order to pass the course. If you

don't use your class time, you will have to use your homeroom time (yes, even you seniors!) or time before/after school or in study halls in order to complete your work. The more you keep up with your work, the less you have to have me hounding you.

## VI. Contact information

You can reach me via email at [jwarrant@algona.k12.ia.us](mailto:jwarrant@algona.k12.ia.us) or [mrswarrant@mrswarrant.com](mailto:mrswarrant@mrswarrant.com)

You can call me at my home phone at 295-6827

## Sign up for Remind101!

I use this service to send out reminders and announcements for the class. The number associated with this service is not my cell phone number and you can't reply to it. However, you will get important updates and reminders that may help you be successful in this class. Here are the signup instructions:

## Grab Your Phone!

Tell students & parents to grab their phones and follow the steps below to sign up for your English 11 messages.

