English II Syllabus Sheena A. Sterling

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Tutor Day & Time: Tuesday 4:00 – 4:50 p.m. and by appointments; Test Day – Tuesday

Course Aim:

This English class is designed to help students improve their skills in writing and reading. This is writing comprehensive class which will also continue to expose students to a variety of texts from ancient to modern and contemporary literature from around world. There will be a state-mandated End of Course Exam at the end of this course.

Class Rules:

- Be ready to work.
- Respect everyone.

Required Materials:

college-ruled paper, blue or black pens, pencils, highlighter

Grading Scale:

A:100-90

B: 89-80

C: 70-79

D: 69-60

F: 59-0

Missing/Late Work:

WGHS policy dictates that every day an assignment is late, the highest possible grade will decrease by one letter grade (15 points). Late work will not be accepted after three days, and students will not be given the opportunity to make up missing work at the end of the marking period. The grade for partially completed work turned in late will be adjusted accordingly. If a student receives a zero on an assignment, this means that the teacher does not have it or it was submitted more than three days later than its due date.

<u>Tests:</u> Major tests will be administered on Tuesdays for all English courses. (This excludes projects, essays and quizzes.) There are no retests in English per English department policy. Post assessment will be given in the second week of school.

Grades:

Tests, Projects, Essays	40%
Classwork	30%
Quizzes	30%

Major Dates:

The Plan Exam:
1st Grading Period Ends: Friday October 25, 2019
Report Cards to Students:
2nd Grading Period Ends: Friday January 17, 2020
Report Cards to Students:

3rd Grading Period Ends: Wed	nesday March 25, 2020
Report Cards to Students:	
4th Grading Period Ends: Frida	y June 5, 2020
<u> </u>	ls are mailed to students after 4 th quarter.
End of Course Exam:	<u> </u>

Tutoring:

My tutoring day and time are Tuesdays from 4:00 p.m. - 4:50 p.m. I am also available for tutoring by appointment August 2019 – June 2020.

Grade Recovery:

Grade Recovery is offered as an intervention at the end of each quarter to any student who is failing a course. Students may recover a passing grade of a "D" (60) by completing 100% of the grade recovery assignment with an overall average no lower than 60 within the quarterly grade recovery time frame. Each quarter the grade recovery assignment will include APEX assignments and at least one writing assignment. Apex gets wiped every two weeks. If students complete Apex, they should screen shot their completion message with percentage visible and email it to the instructor so they can receive credit for their work.

Communication:

Contact me via Remind @	astute04 or via email at	

ELECTRONIC DEVICES POLICY

- "Out of Sight, Out of Sound during class."; all cellphones must be turned off and put away during instruction unless otherwise instructed by the teacher.
- Electronic devices may ONLY be used for instructional purposes as directed by content area teacher and during class changes and /or lunch.
- Students are not allowed to answer the phone, text, or check the phone at any point during class.
- Parents/guardians or family members must contact the main office and/or a designated school official to contact a student during instructional time.
- Students who bring electronic devices to school are responsible for the items if damaged and/or stolen.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES VIOLATION STEPS

• 1st offense: The student is given a verbal warning.

• 2nd offense: The student's device is taken and returned to the student at the end of the class

period. Parent/guardian contacted.

• 3rd offense: The student's device is taken, given to the front office, and returned at the end of

the school day to the student. Parent/guardian contacted. Students will be

required to sign the Electronic Release Form in the main office.

• 4th offense: The student's device is taken and given to the front office. Parent/guardian

contacted. Parents are required to pick up the student's device from the main

office and sign the Electronic Release Form.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT HONOR CODE

Academic integrity is essential to every learning community. In compliance with Guilford County Schools policy, cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and will result in a zero on the assignment along with disciplinary action. (Violations of the Code of Conduct JDP. Rule 3) Cheating is any practice, method, or assistance, including explicitly forbidden or unmentioned, that involves any degree of dishonesty, fraud, or deceit. Cheating includes plagiarism, which is representing another's ideas or words as one's own. This includes, but is not limited to, cheating by giving or receiving any unauthorized aid or assistance or the actual giving or receiving of unfair advantage on any form of academic work, plagiarism by copying the language structure, idea and/or thought of another and representing it as one's own work, and verbal or written statement of untruth. Each student is responsible for learning and observing appropriate documentation of another's work. All incidents of cheating MUST be reported to administration.

Note well that students who are caught sharing completed homework assignments (via airdrop, text message, social media sites, email etc.) will receive a zero on the assignment. Note also that students who are caught using cell phones without teacher permission during instructional time will receive no higher than a 50% on the assignment.

I have read the English Department's description of cheating and plagiarism. I understand that each classwork and homework assignment, test, presentation, project, and quiz is a learning opportunity. I agree to take full advantage of the learning opportunities offered to me by completing my own work.