

WARREN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

PLANNED INSTRUCTION

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Course Title: Language Arts 9 College Prep
Course Number: 10009
Course Prerequisites: Successful completion of Middle Level English/Language Arts Curriculum

Course Description: **Semester A**

English for grade 9 is an integrated curriculum. Each unit contains thematically related lessons in five domains: reading and the study of literature, reading informational text, writing, speaking and listening, and language study, which includes word knowledge and grammar skills. Topics are presented in ways that help young adolescents relate literacy skills to other aspects of their lives. Writing assignments include narrative, expository, and persuasive/argumentative modes and emphasize the use of details and reasoning to support ideas. Speaking and listening lessons in Semester A emphasize collaborative discussion skills and peer review. Vocabulary development instruction is integrated into literature and informational text lessons. Each unit ends with an authentic assessment that presents students with a real-world scenario requiring some of the skills they learned in the unit.

Semester B

Like semester A, semester B consists of integrated units focused on a theme or mode of study. Literature study in semester B focuses on the analysis of different forms of literature and on comparative studies of world literature and literature delivered in different media. Writing and informational text lessons guide students through the stages of research and demonstrate how to evaluate, integrate, and share the information gathered during research. Students are required to share their ideas and analysis using several different modes, including oral and multimedia presentations.

Major Concepts

- Reading skills and strategies
- Literary elements and devices
- Reading informational text
- Text structures
- Writing narratives and information
- Collaborative discussion
- Peer review

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- Word attack skills

Major Concepts

- Literary forms
- Comparative literature
- Literary analysis
- Evaluating arguments
- Research process and skills
- Forms of media and multimedia

Suggested Grade Level: Grade 9

Length of Course: Two Semesters

Units of Credit: 1

PDE Certification and Staffing Policies and Guidelines (CSPG) Required Teacher Certifications:

CSPG 42

To find the CSPG information, go to <https://www.education.pa.gov/Educators/Certification/Staffing%20Guidelines/Pages/default.aspx>

Certification verified by the WCSD Human Resources Department: ☒ Yes ☐ No

WCSD STUDENT DATA SYSTEM INFORMATION

Course Level: Academic

Mark Types: Check all that apply.

☒ F – Final Average ☐ MP – Marking Period ☐ EXM – Final Exam

GPA Type: ☐ GPAEL-GPA Elementary ☐ GPAML-GPA for Middle Level ☒ NHS-National Honor Society

☐ UGPA-Non-Weighted Grade Point Average ☒ GPA-Weighted Grade Point Average

State Course Code: 01001

To find the State Course Code, go to <https://nces.ed.gov/forum/sced.asp>, download the Excel file for SCED, click on SCED 6.0 tab, and chose the correct code that corresponds with the course.

TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

Board Approved Textbooks, Software, and Materials:

Title: Click or tap here to enter text.

Publisher: Click or tap here to enter text.

ISBN #: Click or tap here to enter text.

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Supplemental Materials: Accelerate Education (Virtual Academy)

Materials

Required Novels (choose one per semester):

- *Romeo and Juliet*
- *To Kill a Mockingbird*

Optional Novels (Choose 3)

- *The Old Man and the Sea*
- *House on Mango Street*
- *The Odyssey*
- *Ender's Game*
- *Speak*
- *The Five People you Meet in Heaven*
- *The Glass Castle*

Curriculum Document

WCSD Board Approval:

Date Finalized: 6/10/2019

Date Approved: Click or tap to enter a date.

Implementation Year: 2019-2020

SPECIAL EDUCATION, 504, and GIFTED REQUIREMENTS

The teacher shall make appropriate modifications to instruction and assessment based on a student's Individual Education Plan (IEP), Chapter 15 Section 504 Plan (504), and/or Gifted Individual Education Plan (GIEP).

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ASSESSMENTS

PSSA Academic Standards, Assessment Anchors, and Eligible Content: The teacher must be knowledgeable of the PDE Academic Standards, Assessment Anchors, and Eligible Content and incorporate them regularly into planned instruction.

Formative Assessments: The teacher will utilize a variety of assessment methods to conduct in-process evaluations of student learning.

Effective formative assessments for this course include: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Summative Assessments: The teacher will utilize a variety of assessment methods to evaluate student learning at the end of an instructional task, lesson, and/or unit.

Effective summative assessments for this course include: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)