

# English I P/AP

## COURSE SYLLABUS | 2020 - 2021

**Course: ENGLISH I P/AP**

**Instructor: Miss M. Person**  
**Room Location: O-42**

**Conference Period:**  
**11:30 -12:30**

**Tutorial Schedule**  
**Monday-8:00 -8:50 a.m.**  
**Wednesday-**

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### WHAT WE'LL READ

Classic and Contemporary  
Novels  
Short Stories  
Poetry  
Drama  
Autobiographies & Biographies  
Speeches

### IN THIS COURSE, YOU WILL LEARN TO:

- Work using a variety of district approved online platforms and tools (MS Teams, Schoology)
- Develop cross curricular skills and strategies
- Cite strong and thorough textual evidence
- Participate in collaborative discussions
- Produce formal writing appropriate to various tasks and purposes ( short answer response, expository, argument and persuasive essays)
- Read and analyze complex texts
- Read a variety of texts closely and independently



## ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING

**50%**

Writing assignments, projects, quizzes, and assessments

**50%**

Classwork (synchronous), homework (asynchronous), & class participation

You will **number grades as per the published FBISD grading scale** for your participation, collaborative work, discussion posts, synchronous and asynchronous assignments, and homework, which will include required reading, writing assignments, and many other forms of formative and summative assessments.

### CLASS EXPECTATIONS

Be RESPONSIBLE. Be RESPECTFUL. Be DISCIPLINED. Be PREPARED. Be COMMITTED. Be PRESENT. Be DILIGENT.

### WHAT WE'LL ACCOMPLISH

We will have a **great** time learning how to access texts on a deeper level, sharpen and strengthen writing skills, build vocabulary, develop communication and collaboration skills, delve into the world of literary genres, use critical thinking skills and approaches, all while simultaneously learning to build personal skills To be a successful student in the **Hightower High School PTECH program and earn your Industry Certification.**

I AM EXCITED to get started working and learning with all of you!



# POLICIES

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### LATE/MAKE-UP WORK POLICY



The expectation is that you submit all assignments on time. You will have 5 class days after the initial due date to turn in late work. All assignments submitted **after the posted due date will lose 10 points per day. After 5 days, the highest grade you can receive for your assignment is 50 points.**

If you are absent (excused), it is your responsibility to follow proper procedures to ensure that you receive your work. You will have two days to make up any missing assignments. This protocol includes field trips. Technological issues do not excuse you from completing your work.

### TECHNOLOGY



We will be utilizing various FBISD approved resources to access the Internet to research, review material, and submit assignments, and, etc. You must hold yourselves to high expectations when you use these resources. You are responsible to manage your time and stay current with classwork expectations. Unless you receive permission **from PTECH administrators** due to special circumstances, **(specifically during Online Learning)** you must use your FBISD issued laptop already formatted for all aspects of online class sessions, including to attend class sessions, access resources, complete and submit assignments, collaborate and communicate with peers, and to contact me during and after class time.

### ACADEMIC DISHONESTY



All work that you submit must be your own work. You may not do any of the following:

- 1) Turn in or copy someone else's work.
- 2) Copy someone's work and change a few of the words.
- 3) Copying words from a source without citing it and giving credit to the source.
- 4) Attempt to use any notes on a closed-note assignment.
- 5) Look at someone else's work, or open a browser to use online search engines (Google, etc.) during a online quiz, test, or other formal individual assessment.

If you are doing any of the above or anything else that constitutes "cheating", you will receive a zero on that assignment, and you will be referred for discipline.

### OTHER POLICIES

Behavioral expectations will mirror those regularly enforced during face to face instruction.

- Come dressed appropriately for school (no hoodies, scarves, bonnets,) and to class with your materials and a positive attitude.
- Find an appropriate space to sit and work during class time. (not lying in bed, or sitting in the dark).
- Log on to your laptop before class begins so that you may arrive and start on time. If you are late, you will receive a verbal warning.
- Repeated tardiness (3) will be result in written referral, parent contact and administrative conference.

Some structured modifications will be added for the online class format. Some include:

- **Intermittent (teacher scheduled) 3 to 5 minute breaks** to stretch, for restroom breaks, for quick snacks, water. We will refrain from eating during instructional time online.
- **In-App emoji's (raise your hand)** to request permission to speak.
- **Designated breakout rooms/channels** to facilitate and encourage peer support and collaboration.