

**Contact Information**

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**Tutoring:** By appointment only. Please see me before school, during lunch, or after school to schedule tutoring times. This must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance.

**Schedule:** Semester 1: 1st Period: Planning – 2nd Period: Speech – 3rd Period: English III – 4th Period: English III Semester 2: 1st Period: English III H – 2nd Period: Planning – 3rd Period: English III CP – 4th Period: English III CP

**Student Supplies:** A fully charged Chromebook – daily. Pens, pencil, highlighters, paper.

Grading Scale		Grade Weights
90-100 A	80-89 B	60% Major Grades: Tests, final essay drafts, major projects
70-79 C	60-69 D	40% Minor Grades: Quizzes, informal writing assignments, vocabulary, homework
59-and below F		

**Grading: Late Work/Make-Up Work Policy:**

We will follow the grading and late work policy set forth by Hillcrest High School. Please ensure you communicate with me if you turn in late work. When in doubt, email me so we can discuss a plan for you to submit your work without penalty.

**Discipline, Attendance, and Tardy Policies:**

**Discipline:** Step 1: Issue a Warning

Step 2: Confer with Student (teacher detention; change seating, etc...)

Step 3: Contact Parents

Step 4: Office Referral *\*Some steps may be skipped per teacher discretion*

**Attendance and Tardy Policy:** Students are expected to be seated by the bell each day. If a student is not in the room by the time the bell rings, the student will be considered tardy for class and will need to get a late pass.

**Cell Phone Policy:** I will advise the class when it is an appropriate time for cell phones. If a student does not adhere to the cell phone rules in my class, a phone call or email to the parent will be made. If the problem continues to persist, a referral will be written.

**Plagiarism:** Plagiarism, of any kind, will not be tolerated in the English classroom. Plagiarized work can be, but is not limited to, the copying of a friend's homework, the copying of any published work, and any unoriginal work a student seeks to pass off as their own without proper citation. Any plagiarized work will result in a grade of zero for that assignment and a phone call to a parent. We will review what plagiarism is and how to avoid it as a class.

**Bathroom Policy:** We will follow the bathroom pass policy set forth by Hillcrest High School; however, I will give students an opportunity to earn extra bathroom passes on a weekly basis via the ticket system.

**Course Reading Texts:** George Lucas' *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*, *Of Mice and Men*, *The Great Gatsby*, *Dear Basketball* by Kobe Bryant

**Course Goal and Outcome:** We will be reading texts that cover all races, genders, and types over the course of the school year. These will primarily be written by American authors. These works will be plays, poems, short stories, essays, newspaper articles, etc that span from the onset of the country to present day. These works seek to expose students to the ideals of American authors and their culture through guidance of literature. **The outcome** of this curriculum is the exposition of American authors and their literature as well as for the students to enjoy the content and instruction. Furthermore, this course will give students a solid foundation to further their education in American Literature.

**Course Outline:** Q1: Grammar Unit -> Professional Writing -> Novel: *Star Wars: Force Awakens* - Q2: Poetry Unit: *Dear Basketball* and other poems -> Short Novel Unit: *Of Mice and Men* (if time permits)

**Communication/Rules:** The most efficient means of contact is through my email address. My contact info is located at the top. My rules are simple: ***Focus, Listen, and Respect.***



-----**Parent Info:**

Name: ----- Email: -----

Phone Number: -----

My child ----- has permission to see PG and PG-13 movies this year that go with thematic units in English class. We will be viewing some films for literary analysis purposes and as a visual text as well. I have also read and I understand the expectations of Mr. Darnell's classroom and am in agreement. Sign and return to Mr. Darnell, please.

X----- (Parent Signature)

***Return the next day for 1 ticket***