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**English 9**

**Mrs. Cicero**

**Room 215**

**Course Description**

This year in English we will cover many topics. Students will read several major works including: *The Odyssey, Night, To Kill a Mockingbird, and Romeo and Juliet*. In addition to these major works, students will also read many short stories and poems. Through these works, the students will learn how to analyze and interpret literature. An ongoing focus will be writing. Students will write several types of essays: descriptive, narrative, literary analysis, and argument. Grammar, vocabulary/spelling, and study skills will be taught on a continuous basis.

**Behavior and Expectations:**

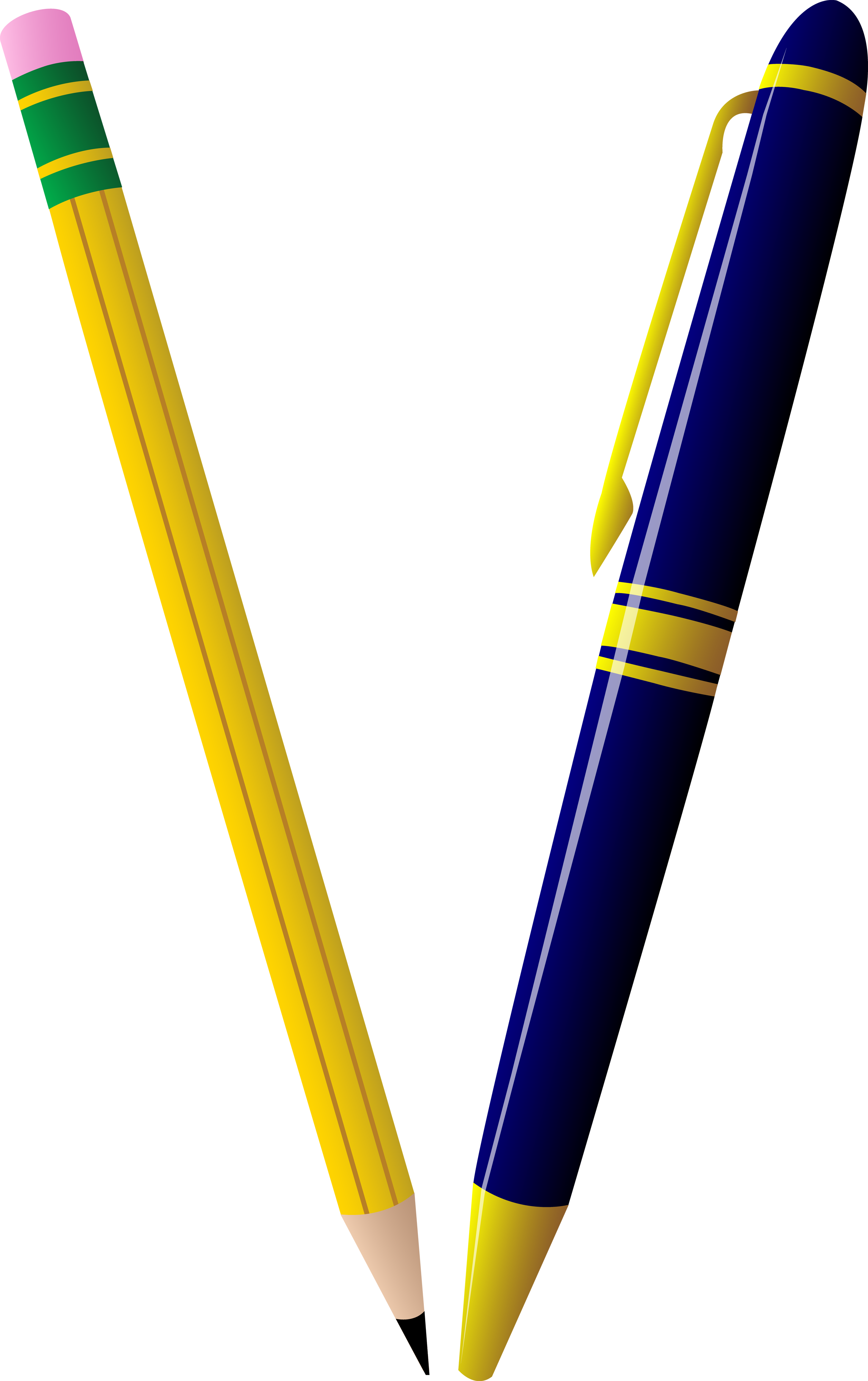
1. Respect self, teachers, classmates, guests, and all school property.
2. Come prepared with class materials and homework.
3. Participate in all class activities and discussions

**All school rules and policies will also be enforced.**

1. Turn in all class work and homework on time.
2. Support a positive learning environment.
3. Do your best.

**Consequences**: warning, conference with teacher, phone call home, parent conference, removal from class, discipline referral, or any combination of these consequences.

**Materials/Supplies:**

**Bring the following to class every day:**  

* 3-ring binder with loose-leaf paper or 5-subject notebook
* Pencils/Pens
* Erasers

\*Please bring these materials by Friday, July 27th.

**Movies/Video Clips:**

At times throughout the year, clips from different movies will be used to enhance students’ understandings of how film adaptations are a visual interpretation of written text. In addition, content-related clips from YouTube will be shown. Please initial your approval of these films on the syllabus acknowledgment form.

*The Odyssey* (1997) PG-13

*The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* (2008) PG-13

*To Kill a Mockingbird* (1962) Not Rated

*Romeo and Juliet* (2013) PG-13

**Assignments:**

All class assignments – class activities, essays, homework, tests, quizzes, projects, etc. are worth a predetermined amount of points and are to be turned in on the assigned due date. Homework must be turned in at the start of class.

**Assignment Format:** Make sure all assignments are neat and legible and are appropriately titled and formatted (full name, date, period in the upper right hand corner with assignment title centered on the top line).

**Essay Format:** 12-inch standard font, double spacing, and one inch margins around; follow MLA guidelines.

**Late Work:**

Late work will be accepted for half credit. For major essays and projects, ten percent will be deducted off the total point value each day it is late up to fifty percent (five days). Late work cannot be turned in after one week of its original due date. See me about the acceptance of late work.

**Absences and Make-Up Work:**

If you are absent, it is your responsibility to check the assignment calendar online or Infinite Campus Student Portal to get the assignments and notes missed. Tests and quizzes must be made up during my office hours. If you have an excused absence, you have the number of day(s) absent to make-up work.

**Grades:**

A standard percentage for grading will be used: 90-100% = A, 80-89% = B, 70-79% = C, 60-69% = D, below 60% = failing.

\*\*Extra credit will not be offered.\*\*

**English 9**

**Syllabus Acknowledgement Form**

Sign and return by Friday, July 27th.

I have read and understand the syllabus for English 9.

Student’s Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Student’s Signature

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Parent/Guardian’s Signature

**Movie/Video Clips Permission:**

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I give my son/daughter permission to view curriculum and school appropriate movie/videos related to classroom content and subjects.

\_\_\_\_ No, I do not give my son/daughter permission to view curriculum and school appropriate movie/videos mentioned in this syllabus. I understand alternate learning experiences will be provided while the movie is being watched.

Preferred E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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What would you like me to know about your son/daughter?

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