

English (40 credits required)

Basic English

English Elective
10 credits 5 each semester
Recommended Prerequisite(s) English 9, 10, 11
Course Description:

This course's infrastructure is geared for students who will be entering the work force or attending a trade school after high school is finished. Basic English will involve basic writing practices, basic comprehension practices, learning how to utilize mass-media to your advantage, and oral speech skills. Within this class we will take a 'real world' approach to the language arts.

CP (College Preparatory) English

Required Course
10 credits 5 each semester
Recommended Prerequisite(s) English 9, 10, 11
Course Description:

This course is central if attending or *may* be attending a four or two year college. CP will involve an in-depth analytical approach to a variety of college base texts within multiple genres. CP will also engage and hone student's writing skills in a variety of genres and outlets. Towards the end of the year, we will work more with ethical and literary theories.

English 9

Required Course
10 credits 5 each semester
Recommended Prerequisite(s) 8th English
Course Description:

English 9 will focus on elements of a short story, elements of a novel, introduction to Shakespeare, and six traits of writing with emphasis on persuasive writing, MLA style research, and grammar review. Students in English 9 will also spend at least nine weeks learning and practicing the skills for effective communication and public speaking.

English 10

Required Course
10 credits 5 each semester
Recommended Prerequisite(s) 9th English
Course Description:

English 10 focuses on general grammar review while beginning advanced grammar. The course covers World literature while working with poetry, short stories, novels, plays, and a Shakespearean tragedy. MLA style research and various essays are also included.

English 11

Required Course
10 credits 5 each semester
Recommended Prerequisite(s) English 9, 10
Course Description:

English 11 is a focus of American literature from pre-Colonial days to the present. All genres are studied. The course also covers review of advanced grammar and various essays. MLA style research is also reviewed.

English 12

Required Course

10 credits 5 each semester

Recommended Prerequisite(s) English 9, 10, 11

Course Description:

English 12 focuses on comprehensive grammar and writing review including MLA style research. All genres of literature are reviewed through a compilation of American and British literature.

English Theory –Semester course

English Elective

5 credits

Recommended Prerequisite(s) English 9, 10

Course Description:

This course is designed for juniors and seniors. It will involve analysis, synthesis, and interpretation of various materials. Theory will be driven primarily by individual thought, but will be incorporated with literary and ethical theories. Students will need teacher's approval before entering into this class.

Journalism/Yearbook

English Elective

10 credits 5 each semester

Recommended Prerequisite(s) English 9

Course Description:

Guidelines for entering this class are as follows:

Excel in English with at least a 90% average

Overall GPA should be at least 87%

100% commitment to deadlines

100% commitment to events to take pictures

Creativity

Willingness to WORK HARD

****Would like a commitment of more than one year****

Journalism is a class designed to create the Hemingford Public School Yearbook. It takes time and dedication to find stories, report on events, and take pictures at all activities. The class can be very rewarding knowing that you took part in the creation of the yearbook.

Shakespeare – Semester course

English Elective

5 credits

Recommended Prerequisite(s) **English 9, 10**
Course Description:

This course is designed for juniors and seniors. It is geared towards the reading and interpreting of Shakespeare's plays. Many of these plays will be shadows of his more famous works and will include: comedies, tragedies, and histories. Students will need teacher's approval before entering into this class.

Speech – Semester course

English Elective
5 credits
Recommended Prerequisite(s) **English 9**
Course Description:

This semester class will guide students to prepare and deliver a wide variety of speeches. Students will learn the steps of organizing an outline, researching and documenting resources, cutting pieces of literature, and techniques in delivery