

Dual Credit English

English 101/English 102/English 150

Summer Reading and Attendance

Summer Reading:

The summer reading for both Dual Credit 11th and 12th grade English should be read and the book brought to class the first day of school.

Dual Credit English 11: *Into The Wild* by Jon Krakauer

Dual Credit English 12: *The House of the Scorpion* by Nancy Farmer

Attendance Policy:

Class Participation and Attendance are required in order to achieve a passing grade in English 101, English 102, and English 150. Participation includes class discussion, and being a prepared, active student. Punctual, regular attendance is required of all students. **Since this is a college course, attendance guidelines as established by WV State University will be enforced.** **Three unexcused absences are permitted. If you miss four classes, your grade point will be dropped a 1/2 letter grade, and will continue to be dropped an additional ½ letter grade per absence. Tardiness (every 5) will be counted as one unexcused absence.** Any class absence for a school activity (games, performances, testing, field trips, etc.) is considered excused; however, assignments due during the absence must be turned in before the event unless discussed with your teacher prior to the absence. Failure to do so will result in treating the assignment as late work. The late work policy will be enforced.

Excused Absences:

- Illness with a doctor's note: unlimited
- Illness with parent's note: limited to 5 days for the semester
- Death in the family: limited to three days
- Pre-approved family vacation: special circumstances apply. See attached form.
- Doctor or Court Appointment: must have official documentation from the doctor or court

It is your responsibility to provide a copy to your teacher.

Students are expected to keep track of his/her own absences. A copy of all excuses are to be turned in to the classroom teacher in a timely fashion. The dual credit English teachers will not go to the office to get a copy of excuses, nor should students expect the office to supply these excuses to the dual credit English teachers. The dual credit teachers may have different methods for collecting this excuses, but it is the sole responsibility of the student to keep track of absences and provide excuses to the dual credit teacher in the manner the teacher chooses.

If you have 7 or more unexcused absences in a semester, you will not receive college credit for the class; however, **you will remain in the dual credit class and be required to complete the coursework to get your high school English credit.**

*** The Attendance Policy agreement is attached to this file and must be printed and returned to Mrs. King (Room 203) by Tuesday, May 23, 2017.**

West Virginia State University/George Washington High School

Dual Credit English Attendance Policy

2017-2018

Dear Parents and Students,

Due to the nature of a dual-credit class the class expectations and requirements for work and attendance are more demanding than that of other high school classes. Please read the attendance policy, and if agreeable to the guidelines set forth within, sign this form and return it to the Mrs. King (Room 203) by the first Tuesday, May23, 2017. These forms must be on file with the assigned teacher. Failure to do so will result in removal from the dual credit class.

Thank you,

The GWHS Dual Credit English Teachers

Parent Agreement

I, _____, (parent's name) have read the Dual Credit English attendance policy. I give my permission for _____ (student's name) to take these classes during the 2017-2018 school year and I understand attendance policy will be strictly enforced.

Parent's Signature

Date

Student Agreement

I, _____, (student's name) have read the Dual Credit English attendance policy. I understand that attendance policy will be strictly enforced, and will work diligently toward the goals of the class.

Student's Signature

Date

Family Vacation Agreement Information Grade Dual-Credit English

In the event of a pre-planned family vacation, the student may be excused for one week (5 consecutive school days) under the following conditions:

1. The trip is excused by the school.
2. The teacher is given a completed **Family Vacation Agreement** at least 4 school weeks ahead of time in order to ensure student has all needed information to complete the work.
3. The student does not accumulate any unexcused absences during the semester.
4. All course work is completed and turned in **PRIOR** to the trip unless discussed with the teacher prior to the absence.

Note: Parent notes will only be accepted for 5 days in the semester. Any subsequent absences must be verified by doctor's note, court excuse, or death in the family. Failure to comply will result in receiving 0 credit for the college class.

Family Vacation Agreement

Student Name _____

Date of Vacation _____

Number of School Days Missed _____

Is student using parent note for additional days? _____ If so, how many days? _____

By signing this agreement, the student and parent agrees to the terms stated above.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

Principal's Signature

Date

***Kanawha County Schools
Request for Alternative Reading Assignment***

Dear Parent,

The following reading assignment will be given to your child as part of the requirements for his/her **Dual Credit English** class. The 11th grade will begin the year with *Into the Wild* by Jon Krakauer and the 12th grade will begin with *The House of the Scorpion* by Nancy Farmer. Your book is to be read over the summer. Students should bring a copy of the book to class on the first day of school. If you are unable to purchase one, please contact our counselors for a copy.

These books have been deemed appropriate for students at this level of education and maturity. However, the books may contain elements of profane language, violence, sexual content, and adult situations in varying degrees. Parents should consult the individual books directly to decide the suitability of each for their own student.

If you wish to request an alternative summer reading assignment for your child, please complete the bottom portion of this form and **return it to the school principal prior to the beginning of school (Due Tuesday, May 23, 2017).**

Sincerely,

The Dual Credit English Teachers
George Washington High School

(Return this portion to the school principal by Tuesday, May 23, 2017)

I request that my child be given an alternate reading assignment to replace the following assignment: _____

My request is based on the following: _____

I understand that this request must be returned to the school principal prior to the beginning of school. I also understand that my child is responsible for completing all parts of the alternative assignment.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Principal Signature: _____ Date: _____