

<u>10th Grade Course Content</u> Unit 1: Short Story Unit 2: Novel Unit 3: Research Unit 4: Poetry Unit 5: Drama * During these units of study, students will read fiction and nonfiction with a focus on world literature to include novels, short stories, poems, memoirs, essays, historical documents, drama, etc. They will also practice grammar, writing, vocabulary, speaking, independent reading, and critical thinking. *These plans are tentative and are subject to change.	<u>Grading Procedures</u> Quarter Grading Categories <u>Minor Grades</u> (Daily, Skills Checks, Quizzes) = 40% <u>Major Grades</u> (Tests, Projects, Essays) = 60% Semester Averages Quarter 1 Grade = 42.5% Quarter 2 Grade = 42.5% Semester Exam = 15%	<u>Contact Information</u> Email: awindham@dalecountyboe.org Website: Find my name on the D.C.H.S. school website under SCHOOL STAFF: http://dchs.dalecountyboe.org Remind: Join Remind for important updates and information: In order to subscribe, please text using the information below. ~The recipient of your text should be 81010 ~The “message” part of your text should be: @1he10wind Google Classroom: Students have been automatically enrolled this year.
<u>Classroom Management Plan</u> <i>Expectations</i> 1. Be in your seat and prepared for work when the bell rings. 2. Listen when your teacher is talking. 3. Follow directions the first time they are given. 4. Respect others, yourself, and the school. 5. Do your best!!!	<i>Consequences</i> (D.C.H.S.’s plan) 1st- Warning 2nd- Warning and parent notification 3rd- Detention and parent notification 4th- Detention and parent notification 5th-Office referral	<i>Other Classroom Rules</i> ~Per Alabama law, students’ personal electronic devices may not be used, seen, or heard during instructional hours at school. Noncompliance will result in your device being confiscated. ~You should use Chromebooks only when the teacher has instructed you to do so. ~You may not take pictures or record (audio or video) in class unless you are given prior permission from the teacher for a particular classroom activity.
<u>Supply List</u> ~D.C.H.S. Planner ~3 ring binder (preferably not shared with other subjects) ~College ruled loose leaf notebook paper (no wide-ruled paper or spiral notebooks, please) ~Black or blue pens or pencils ~3 tab dividers (Literature, Grammar, Writing) ~Colored pencils ~Highlighter ~a copy of your SSR (library) book	<i>*Optional Item You May Wish to Contribute</i> ~Kleenex (We go through a lot of these!)	<u>Plagiarism Notice</u> <i>Merriam-Webster’s Online Dictionary</i> defines plagiarism as, “the act of using another’s words or ideas without giving credit to that person.” Please note that plagiarism is a serious offense and will result in a zero without the opportunity to redo the assignment (The same consequence will apply for other forms of cheating, including improper AI use.).

Ms. Windham's Classroom Procedures

~Parents and students should check PowerSchool weekly for grades and comments. Click "View" beside grade when present to view individualized comments concerning your grades.).

I regularly use PowerSchool to communicate with parents and students concerning grades. Access grades at <https://daleco.powerschool.com/public>. Students use their school email logins and passwords. Guidance can provide parent logins to those who still need them. Check grades weekly, and be sure to ask if you have questions.

~If you are sick, please don't come to school, but be sure to bring an excuse from your parent or doctor when you return so that you will be able to make up missed assignments rather than being issued a zero for an unexcused absence.

~If you are absent...

1. Check the Google Classroom stream for the list of assignments for the date(s) you were absent.
2. Check the makeup work folder for the day you were absent for any handouts that you may have missed.
3. It is your responsibility to make up missed assignments and arrange make-up tests/quizzes. Please do so within three school days of your absence. A "1" will hold the place of any assignment missed due to an excused absence and will be changed once the assignment is made up. Assignments not made up or not turned in for any other reason will be entered as a "0" (see student handbook).

~If you miss a test or quiz...

1. It is your responsibility to schedule a time for your make-up assessment with Ms. Windham.
2. When absent, in anticipation that you will submit an excuse for absence, you may make up missed assignments as soon as you are able. Your grade will be updated once your excuse for absence has been processed through the office (and shows up in PowerSchool).

~If you need extra help...

1. Check out Google Classroom for links to helpful websites and extra practice.
2. Ask Ms. Windham about the specific skill/concept.
3. When you arrive to tutorial, sign in beside your previous entry on the calendar at the back of the room as a record of your attendance.

~If you do not have an assignment on time...

1. For each school day that your assignment is late, the potential score for that assignment will drop a letter grade. (example: On the first day the assignment is late, the highest grade possible will be an 89/B; on the second day, the highest grade possible will be a 79/C.)
2. Homework, projects, and essays are due at the beginning of class on the due date, not five minutes after class has begun or by the end of the school day. You will have a bell ringer assignment at the beginning of the period, and you will not be allowed to use class time to finish your homework. Because I know that there are times when even the most responsible person forgets something or gets behind on work (It happens to me, too. We are human!), each student will receive one Late Homework Pass per nine weeks. This will allow you to turn in your homework up to **one day late** without penalty. Keep in mind that this does **not** count for major papers or projects, and it does not exempt you from any reading quizzes that we may have the day following a reading assignment. In order for the pace of the class to remain unhindered, we must stay on pace with our reading. Please avoid using this Late Homework Pass if at all possible so that you do not get behind.

~If you need to leave class to use the restroom or retrieve an assignment from your locker...

Wait until an appropriate time to request your pass. Your hall passes are in your planner; you must have it to utilize your passes. You may not borrow a planner. Please fill out all information, so that Ms. Windham can quickly sign it, and there is minimal interruption to the flow of class.

1st Block (S1) - Honors English 10

Directions: Return this completed page by Tuesday, 8/12/25. You should keep the first page in your binder.

By signing below, I agree that I have read and understand **Ms. Windham's class syllabus and classroom procedures.**

Printed Student Name

Student Signature

Date

Printed Parent/Guardian Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

***Please include below any information you would like me to know about your student:**