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ROCKY HILL HIGH SCHOOL
2023

COURSE OFFERINGS

09 Freshmen

The 9th grade survey course focuses on grammar, mechanics, writing skills, and literature selections.

Sophomores 10

The 10th grade survey course introduces students to a wide variety of fiction, poetry, and non-fiction selections.

11 Juniors

A full year American Literature and Composition course is required for all juniors, with the exception of the AP track.

Seniors 12

Students may take a variety of electives where they can build on the foundations of the previous three years.

Courses include: Modern Poetry and Drama, Readings in Philosophy, Modern Fiction, Journalism, Authors, Film and Literature, Media Literacy, and Literature: Reflections on Life

Honors Program

9th, 10th, and 11th grade survey courses are offered at the Honors level.

12th grade Honors students are enrolled in Development of Drama in the fall and Fiction Masters in the spring.

AP Offerings

Currently, students are offered AP Language and Composition in their junior or senior years. AP Literature and Composition is available to seniors only.

2023 Highlights

American Literature & Composition

A new 11th grade curriculum, a full year survey course of American literature with an emphasis on writing instruction, ran for the first time in 2022-2023 at the general, academic, and honors levels.

AP courses also integrated additional American literature texts and assessments.

New Course Offerings

New courses have been added to the Program of Studies for Academic and General seniors.

Honors & AP Summer Reading Prerequisite

All Honors and AP level English students are required to complete summer prerequisite reading. Each course has a specific novel to read and detailed note taking requirements. When students return to school in August, they should be ready to actively discuss and complete assignments related to this text.

Electing to take Honors and AP level courses at the high school requires dedication, hard work, and determination. This prerequisite reading is meant to prepare students for the rigor of this advanced material as well as introduce them to the workload of these courses. Additionally, it provides teachers with the unique opportunity to teach a novel with full context.

