## THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW - 10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ENGLISH

**TERM**: 2021-2022

TEACHER: D.Dillard TEXT: <u>Prentice Hall Literature,</u> <u>Elements of Literature,</u> <u>English Composition and Grammar,</u> novels, various supplemental texts

**Description of course/major objectives**: All genres covered in the main text will be addressed in class- short stories, poetry, nonfiction, folklore, drama, and novels. A study of grammar and the writing process will be combined.

## Specific Class Rules/Policies:

- \*\* Each student is expected to exhibit respect for the teacher, his classmates, and the property in the classroom. Common courtesy is mandatory.
- 1. Students must turn off phones and place them in the sleeves on the closet door upon entering the classroom each day. Phones will be used at the teacher's discretion for educational purposes only.
- 2. All students are responsible for having necessary supplies for class each day.
- 3. Talking while the teacher is talking is prohibited. Sleeping will not be tolerated.
- 4. Gum chewing is prohibited, and there will be no eating or drinking in the classroom.
- 5. Students are responsible for finding out about make-up work. A reasonable account of the day's lesson will be posted and should be checked on Google Classroom. Whenever possible, tests should be made up on the day a student returns to class. All written work is due within three days.

## Assignments and Grading Policies:

- 1. All unit tests, daily assignments, presentations, essays, reports, etc. will count the same towards the nine weeks average. \*\* Reading or film quizzes will be calculated into one average that becomes another grade for the daily average.
- 2. A notebook grade will be taken at the end of each nine weeks.
- 3. **Generally,** the lowest daily grade will be dropped at the end of each nine weeks; **however**, students may lose this privilege by not adhering to classroom rules and tardy policy.
- 4. All essays must either be typed or written in blue or black ink.

5. A student's performance in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade English course (i.e. work ethic, final average, adherence to deadlines, etc.) combined with PSAT verbal scores will determine teacher recommendation for 11AP English. Parent's Initials \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher Contact/Student Concerns:** You may contact me via email at <u>ddillard@southlandacademy.org</u>.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_