**English 3 Honors                  Ms.  Weickert Room 412**

**Course Description**  English III Honors is a year-long course designed to provide you with a learning experience that will prepare you for state standardized tests that are required for admission into college.  This course will require reading and analysis of a variety of prose and the study of the process of writing a variety of required essays.  You will be expected to research time periods in American literature, read selections from those time periods, and be able to effectively critique and analyze the information in essay format.  My expectations and requirements for this course exceed the average English III course, so expect to work every day in this class and good attendance is of the utmost importance.

**Benefits of this course.**You will learn many concepts that will prepare you for standardized testing such as SAT, ACT, and EOC tests.  You will become a better critical and analytical reader and writer.  You will be in an environment where learning is valued.  You will be better prepared for future advanced classes and college courses.

**Your Responsibilities.**You will be expected to complete all assignments in a timely manner – no late work accepted.  You will be expected to be in attendance every day, as the most important instruction cannot be learned by reading text or notes, or looking at a teacher’s daily lesson plans.  Your daily participation (class contributions, class work, etc.) is essential for passing this class.  You will be expected to read all materials assigned.  This means no Spark Notes, Cliff Notes or other on-line sources or movies/videos to get summaries.

**Required Summer Reading.**You were required to read ***The Scarlet Letter***by Nathaniel Hawthorne and ***The Red Badge of Courage*** over the summer and will be expected to complete assignments based on these novels the first week of school.

**Gulf Breeze High School**

**11th grade English Honors**

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Curriculum

**Literature**will include a variety of literary forms.  Major works that we will be reading come from the following list:  *The Crucible, Their Eyes Were Watching God, Into the Wild, The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, Death of a Salesman, Maggie: A Girl of the Streets, The Awakening,*and *The Great Gatsby.*  Major work are not limited to this list.  We also will be using an anthology, *Literature:  The American Experience.*

**Writing**will include (and not limited to) synthesis, persuasive, argumentative, and analysis.  There will be timed in-class writing assessments and outside writing assessments that must meet MLA standards.  You will receive a MLA packet the first week of school.

**Vocabulary**will be embedded in reading assignments and in weekly lessons throughout the year.

**Grading:** **Be sure to check grade-line frequently.**  I expect you to complete and turn in all assignments by their due dates.  If I accept late assignments, there will be one letter grade off for each day late and will not be accepted after three days.  If a quiz/test/homework is assigned prior to an absence, the original due date or test/quiz date can be upheld.  If your absence is unexcused, your grades during that time period will be zeroes. I will follow the Code of Conduct Attendance Policy. Refer to your student handbook for further explanation.

**Conduct:**You must follow the student handbook rules.  It is important that you are on time, have materials ready, raise your hand to be recognized, do English in English class, refrain from using inappropriate language, remain seated until the bell rings, and respect other people and their property.

**Expectations:**This is an important year for you, as you will receive a full credit of English if you pass this class.  Remember, you need four English credits to meet the graduation requirement.  Therefore, I expect you to perform at high levels and act as adults.  I like to maintain a positive atmosphere and I expect you to do your part.  I also expect you to follow an honor code when you are completing all assignments/tests, which means the work must be your own.

**There is a $10 supply fee for English classes.**

Please fill out the next page and return to me when completed.  Your signature commits you to doing your best in this course, to practice the honor code and to have a clear sense of responsibility.  It also signifies that you agree to read the assignments without depending on secondary materials in lieu of reading texts, and that you agree to meet numerous deadlines on assigned writing tasks.

**Weickert                                                             Sign and return by Friday, August 18.**

**11th grade English Honors Statement of Acknowledgment.** School policy requires that parents/guardians and students read the appropriate course syllabus and sign a statement that they understand what is expected.  Please contact me at any time if you have any questions, concerns, or comments.

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**Student Name – Print                                    Student Signature**

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**Parent Signature                                                              Date**

**\*\*Internet Access**will be required for some assignments.  Please indicate if you have internet access so I can have an alternate plan in action if you do not.  Circle one:  **YES or NO**

**Movie policy:**I give my consent to G, PG, PG13 rated movies that pertain to and reinforce literary criterion in English III.

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**Parent/Guardian signature                                                                         Date**

**The $10 supply fee is due by August 23rd**, as we need to place our order.  Thank you very much.

\_\_\_\_\_\_  I have included the $10 supply fee (my child will give it to you, when he/she turns in this form).

\_\_\_\_\_\_   I will send the $10 supply fee with my child before the August 23rd due date.