

**Lima Central Catholic High School  
2018-2019 English 10 Course Syllabus**

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**Google Classroom Code: o4q44ws**

**Turnitin.com Class ID: 18553351**

**Enrollment Key: SophENG1819**

**Course Description:**

This course builds upon the skills learned at the freshmen level. The course has a heavy focus on critical thinking skills, which will be strengthened through novels, informational texts, and drama. Students will spend more time strengthening basic writing skills with narrative, persuasive, and expository writing.

**Required Texts and Materials:**

- *Elements of Literature* (Fourth Course)\*
- *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe\*
- *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald\*
- Student choice books – may be digital or hardcopy
- iPad\*
- Folder or binder designated for English only

\*Provided by LCC

**Grading Plan:**

Participation/Bell Ringers: 0-5 points

Homework/Classwork: 5-20 points

Quizzes: 20-30 points

Essays: 50 points

Projects/Tests: 100 points

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
A+	100
A	95 – 99
A-	92 – 94
B+	89 – 91
B	86 – 88
B-	83 – 85
C+	80 – 82
C	77 – 79
C-	74 – 76
D+	71 – 73
D	68 – 70
D-	66 – 67
F	0 – 65

**Participation:**

Daily participation points will be awarded, so it is important to be mindful of your contributions. The grading scale is as follows:

- √+ Actively engaged and productively contributes to class
- √ Present but not fully engaged
- √- Not engaged in class or disruptive to others' learning

Points will be tallied at the end of each quarter. You will be responsible for monitoring your own participation.

**Extra Credit:**

Extra credit will be rare. The work we do throughout the year is important, and I expect everyone to do his or her best. With that in mind, I will **NOT** give extra credit at the end of a quarter to help bring up grades.

**Plagiarism:**

Plagiarism is the use of someone else's words, ideas, or theories as your own without giving the author/artist/creator proper credit. Always cite quotations or paraphrased material.

Plagiarism is a serious offense, and it is something you must guard against all through your education. Colleges and universities have harsh penalties for students who plagiarize. If you choose to plagiarize in my class, you will receive a zero for that assignment.

**Make-Up Work:**

Homework that has already been assigned for the day(s) missed will be due immediately upon your return to class. *It is your responsibility to find out what you have missed in class while you were absent. See the absent work bin for any needed notes and/or materials.* Homework assignments will be posted on Progress Book. You will have as many days to complete assignments as you missed.

**\*In the event of more than five unexcused absences per semester, work missed on future unexcused absences will NOT be accepted.\***

**Late Work:**

In accordance with LCC policy, no late work will be accepted. Therefore, it is better to turn in an incomplete assignment rather than turning in nothing.

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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & PERMISSION SLIP**

I have read the course syllabus and understand what is expected of me as pertaining to grades, attitude, and behavior.

I understand that some literature and supplemental videos contain mature content. I give my student full permission to read and view materials used in class.

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STUDENT NAME (Please Print)

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STUDENT SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

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PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

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DATE

**Ohio Resident Educator Summative Assessment (RESA)  
Parental Consent Form for Videotaping**

The Ohio Resident Educator Summative Assessment (RESA) is one of the requirements for teachers registered in the Resident Educator Program to obtain a professional license. To complete the RESA, teachers will need to videotape themselves teaching four times during the school year. Consequently, it may be possible that your child will be videotaped. The focus of the video is the teacher's instruction. **The sole use of the videos is for the development and implementation of the RESA field test project.**

The videos will not be used for any other purposes than the following:

1. Training of scorers of the Resident Educator Summative Assessment.
2. Professional Development of Resident Educator program mentors and educators within Ohio.
3. Scoring of the Resident Educator Summative Assessment.

The district seeks parent/guardian consent to videotape your child for the purposes stated herein. Please acknowledge receipt of this release request by signing and returning the below consent form by \_\_\_\_\_ to your child's teacher. Your decision about whether or not to allow your child to participate will not affect his/her academic standing or grade in the class.

If you do not consent to the videotaping of your child under these circumstances, the district will honor your decision.

\_\_\_ I consent to the videotaping of my child(ren): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I do not consent to the videotaping of my child(ren)\_\_\_\_\_

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Student's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Name

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Parent/Guardian Signature