

Mr. Stibbards

English 11

The general goals of English are the enjoyment of literature and the development of thinking and communication skills. Speaking, listening and writing about ideas and issues important to us make us deeper and more understanding human beings.

Big Ideas:

- Language and text can be a source of creativity
- Exploring text and story helps us understand ourselves and make connection to others and to the world.
- Developing our understanding of how language works allows us to use it purposefully.
- Purpose, audience and context guide the author's choices in the construction of text.
- Language can shape ideas and influence others.
- People understand texts differently depending on their worldviews and perspectives.
- Texts are socially, culturally and historically constructed.

Curricular Content:

English 11 offers various texts (short stories, poems, plays, films and novels) to appeal to a variety of interests and abilities.

Activities:

Students will engage in the following activities:

- Note taking and active listening
- Responding to literature in writing
- Group discussion
- Oral contribution to class discussions
- Oral presentations
- Independent reading

Assessment:

Main categories for assessment in English:

- Writing
- Tests and assignments
- Oral language

Successful Students attend class, arrive to class on time, behave respectfully towards staff and students, actively participate, work to the best of their ability, and ask for help before the due