

# ENGLISH COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

## 12TH GRADE

### COLLEGE PREP ENGLISH 12

Prerequisite: English 11

English 12 is a year-long survey of British literature for seniors. Students will hone their writing skills through the study of multiple genres, including novels, plays, poetry, short stories, and informational texts. Course content is designed to assist students in becoming sophisticated readers, writers, and speakers. This course prepares students for work in college English and writing courses.

**REQUIRED WRITING: 1-2 PROCESS PAPERS EACH SEMESTER**, including a research paper, along with other writing activities

### ADVANCED ENGLISH 12

+ .5 weighted grade on 4.0 scale

Prerequisite: Must have > 90 in English 11 OR  
> 85 in Advanced 11

Advanced English 12 is a year-long survey of British literature that may be taken in place of College Prep English 12. This course addresses all the standards listed previously but is distinguished from the College Prep class by a quickened pace, higher expectation of self-motivation, independent reading, advanced comprehension and study skills. Finally, the curriculum contains rigorous development of writing skills and class discussion, as well as formal class presentations, using analytical reasoning skills.

**REQUIRED WRITING: 2-3 PROCESS PAPERS EACH SEMESTER**, including a research paper, along with in-class essays and other writing activities

\*Students who do not meet the prerequisite for advanced or AP classes must parent place.



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### DUAL ENROLLMENT ENGLISH 101 and 102

+ .5 weighted grade on 4.0 scale

Prerequisite: B or higher in English 11; ACT Score of 18; unweighted GPA of 2.5 for English 101  
C or higher in English 101 for English 102

Requirement: A student must be enrolled in both courses of English 101 and English 102

Dual Enrollment English is a year-long course that combines the Jefferson State courses, English 101 and 102, with the Mountain Brook course College Prep English 12. In the fall, students will complete the ENG 101 course and write four essays that focus on rhetoric and non-fiction. In the spring, students will complete the ENG 102 course and write four essays that focus on the analysis of fiction. The 12th grade Mountain Brook portion of the course focuses on the study of British literature, which will overlap all year with the ENG 101 and 102 courses. Dual Enrollment requires students to enroll through Jefferson State Community College, is weighted on a 4.5 scale, and is designed to provide students with 6 college credit hours.

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION

+ 1.0 weighted grade on 4.0 scale

Prerequisite: Must have > 90 in English 11 or  
Advanced 11 OR > 85 in AP 11

AP English 12 is a college-level literature course that differs from the other courses through its heightened rigor, sophisticated readings, and intensive development of writing and critical reading skills. Students enrolled in AP English 12 are expected to work at the college level; thus, they must be mature scholars, prepared to read, write, and think critically. Though most of the works come from British literature, students will read a wider variety of literature (poems, stories, plays, and novels).

(Possible 3 hours college credit upon passing AP exam)

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