**12th Grade British Literature 2021-2022 M. Roth Course Syllabus Veterans High School**

**Course Description**

This 12th grade course integrates language and British Literature with the study and use of oral and written communication. We will cover various literary eras, including all the major elements that make each European historical period unique and how the circumstances of each period influenced the literature of that time. We will also incorporate research into each unit in an effort to fine-tune the process.

Unit One: Origin of a Nation (Anglo-Saxon and Medieval Eras) - “What makes a hero?”

Unit Two: A Celebration of Human Achievement (Renaissance Era) - “What drives revenge?”

Unit Three: Tradition and Reason (Restoration Era) - “How can satire shape society?”

Unit Four: Emotion and Experimentation (Romantic Era) - “What can nature offer us?”

Unit Five: An Era of Rapid Change (Victorian Era) - “What shapes our view of the world?”

Unit Six: New Ideas, New Voices (Modern Era) -“Why is it difficult to resist social pressure?”

**Assessments and Grading Policy**

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| Major Assessments 45%  | Unit tests, essays, portfolios |
| Minor Assessments 20%  | Quizzes, notebook checks, short writing, journals |
| Daily work 15%  | Class assignments, homework, participation |
| Final Exam 20%  | Cumulative end of semester test |

**Attendance**

Students must have a B (80) average or higher, no ISS/OSS, have cleared any fines/obligations, and have 5 or fewer unexcused absences.

**Notebooks**

Notebooks will contain most of the work we do in class throughout the semester. You are expected to keep up with all the material neatly and chronologically.

**Required Texts and Materials**

You are expected to bring these materials to class every day.

1. Textbook

2. Novels, when assigned ($12 replacement cost)

3. 3-ring binder notebook (with notebook paper).

4. Pens/Pencils/Highlighters

**Make–up Work**

When you are absent from class, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to find out about and complete missed assignments—this includes reading. You will have 5 days to make up your assignments (including tests and quizzes). See me before or after class to get assignments. On-going reading assignments and projects are due upon your return. No excuses.

\*You will be permitted to re-take **TWO** tests per semester (after one hour of tutoring and/or test corrections). The re take must be done within a week from when the original test is returned. Not all grades will be eligible for re-take.

**Late Work**

Late work will be accepted up to five days after the due date. For daily grades, there will be a 10pt. deduction the day after the work is due. Any work submitted after that will receive a 50pt deduction. For test grades, a late grade is 10pt deduction per day. After the five-day window a permanent zero will be given and the work cannot be made up at a later date.

**Extra Credit**

It is school policy that no outside/non-curricular “extra credit” assignments be given to students.

**Classroom Rules Consequences**

∙ Respect your teacher. --first offense: warning

∙ Respect your classmates. --second offense: parent contact/detention

∙ Respect yourself. --repeat offenses will result in parent contact and office referral

∙ Do what is asked of you.

∙ Be prepared every day.

**Tardies**

Refer to the student handbook for the school’s tardy policy. First period offenders will be sent to the office to check in.

**Cheating**

Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated. A zero will be given for the assignment and the student will be referred to the office for major offenses.

**Georgia Standards of Excellence**

The standards for this course can be found at www.georgiastandards.org

**Google Classrooms**

*To encourage blended learning, online assignments will be posted weekly through Google Classroom. At least one Google Classroom assignment per week will be graded and entered in Infinite Campus. Students should be familiar with how to navigate the online platform, communicate with their teacher, and submit assignments on time. If there are technology limitations, please notify the teacher.*

**How does a student access Google Classroom?**

1. Go to www.hcbe.net and Click on SSO Portal in the navigation menu.

2. Login with your school username and password.

3. Click on the Google Classroom app.

**Contact**

Please feel free to contact me at school at 478-218-7537 or by e-mail at matthew.roth@hcbe.net. I will make every effort to assist and to be available to parents and students however I may. I invite parents to talk with me about student progress whenever possible. Please sign below indicating that you have looked over this syllabus and understand what is expected of students in order to be successful in this class. Thank you.

**Student Name (print**) Date

**Parent Signature** Date

**Parent email**:

 \*Policies and procedures are subject to change.