Gifted Opt Out Form

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Hernando High School is excited to welcome your child for the 2021-2022 school year. As we prepare for next year, we are working on student’s course requests and classes. Your child has a prior Gifted ruling. The middle school programs currently do not offer Gifted English; however, the high school does offer Gifted English (Gifted English I, Gifted English II, AP English 11, and AP English 12).

Gifted English is a rigorous course where students will read complicated texts and write extensively. Enclosed is a copy of the Summer Reading and off semester reading for the upcoming year for Gifted English. **ALL** students with a prior Gifted ruling will be placed in the Gifted English I class, unless the parent requests for them to opt out.

If you or your child do not feel like this is the English for them, please complete the Opt Out Form. If you opt out, your child’s grades will make the determination as to whether they will go in to Accelerated English I or English I.

If you DO wish for your child to be enrolled in Gifted English, please complete the Gifted English contract on the opposite side of this form. This form will need to be turned in with your child’s Course Selection Sheet on March 5, 2021. **You will need to either opt out or sign the contract for the upcoming year.**

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Sincerely,

Anne Goss

Counselor

Student’s Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student’s Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

To all Prospective Gifted English Students:

Welcome. If you wish to enroll in Gifted English I, your parents/ guardians and you need to sign this contract. By signing it, you commit to completing summer and off semester reading. The contract also signals your comprehension of the rigor of the course.

If you do NOT wish for your child to be enrolled in Gifted English, please complete the Opt out form on the opposite side.

Students who have a Gifted ruling (students who were in Spotlight) do NOT need to submit any writing samples to take Gifted English.

Please take the time to read and consider the content of this contract before returning a signed copy with your Course Selection Sheet by March 5, 2021.

* I will read at least one fiction and one non-fiction book (that has at least 170 pages) this summer.
* I will return my summer reading assignment on August 12th into Schoology or to Mrs. Stefanski in room 214.
* I will complete my off semester reading to Mrs. Stefanski by January7th.
* I believe I am working at or above grade level in my present English class.
* I believe I can write in a clear style that is easily understood by my readers.
* I am willing to spend up to 5 hours a week reading and working on class projects designed to help build my Gifted/AP English reading and writing skills.
* I am willing to type all of my journals and essays.
* I am willing to get all projects to my teacher on time with no excuses.
* I am willing to bring my “A” game to class each and every day.

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Sincerely,

Alicia Stefanski

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Student’s name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student’s signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent’s signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_