

# **English IV/IB Syllabus**

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***Note: This syllabus must remain flexible due to the needs of the students and the nature of the IB Program. Changes may be necessary; therefore, it is imperative that students come fully prepared for each class. Additional texts/fees may be required.***

**Course Goals:** This curriculum is designed to maximize student success on all major assessments for the senior level of IB English Parts I and III as well as the SAT, AP Literature and Composition Exam, and college-level English classes. Students will consistently study and practice close reading skills and analysis, written and oral commentary, and vocabulary and grammar through the study of novels, short stories, drama, poetry, and nonfiction.

## **Semester I-(IB Diploma Part 1 Selections)**

### **Unit I – *The Reader* by Bernhard Schlink**

- Overlay of Foster’s *How to Read Literature Like A Professor*
- Literature Circles/Group Presentations/Socratic Seminar
- Interactive Oral, Reflective Statement
- Partner Project (Final Assessment)
- Writing Assessment

### **Unit II – Literature in Translation Selection 2**

- Overlay of Foster’s *How to Read Literature Like A Professor*
- Socratic Seminar Discussions
- Interactive Oral, Reflective Statement
- Folder Project and/or Final Assessment
- Writing Assessment

### **Unit III - Literature in Translation Selection 3**

- Overlay of Foster’s *How to Read Literature Like A Professor*
- Interactive Oral, Reflective Statement
- Final Assessment
- Writing Assignment

## **IB Assessment**

- Written Assignment – 1200-1500 words

## **Semester I Important Dates**

EE final – August, 2019

Exams – December, 2019

SAT Test Dates 2019 – August 24, October 5, November 2, December 7

## Semester II-(IB Diploma Part 3 Selections) Genre Study - Poetry

### Unit IV– Poetry of Emily Dickinson

- Poet Research
- Overlay of Foster’s *How to Read Poetry Like A Professor*
- Annotations, Explication, Analysis
- Interactive Oral, Poetry Groups
- Writing Assessment

### Unit V, VI, VII– Poets TBA

- Poet Research
- Overlay of Foster’s *How to Read Poetry Like A Professor*
- Annotations, Explication, Analysis
- Interactive Oral, Poetry Groups
- Writing Assessment

### Semester II Important Dates

IB Seniors Last School Day – TBA

IB Senior Exams – May 4-22, 2020

IB Senior Banquet – TBA

AP Exams – May 4-15, 2020 (AP Literature and Composition – Wednesday, May 6, 2020)

SAT Test Dates 2020 – March 14, May 2, June 6

### **PREPAREDNESS**

**Preparedness is part of the participation grade, and all students should come prepared with the following:**

- **Required text (book, story, essay) (Please reserve the use of E-readers for reading that is not required)**
- **3-subject spiral notebook (large, good quality for class notes)**
- **2 Heavy-duty folders with pockets and fasteners (plastic or coated)**
- **Pens (blue/black and red) and a #2 Pencil**
- **Wide-ruled notebook paper**
- **Highlighter and colored pencils for marking text**
- **Post it notes**
- **Presentation and/or project supplies as needed**

**Additionally, all classwork will be written in blue or black ink and all homework will be typed. No pencil will be accepted and no written homework will be accepted. Assignments are due upon entering the classroom**

*No binders please.*