



Bloomington High School is a diverse community that supports lifelong learners who are responsible and productive citizens in our global society. Together we will provide a safe environment that guides students to reach their full potential in pursuit of academic and personal fulfillment.

Course Title: 002031-2 Honors Sophomore Literature / Composition (Year; 1 credit)

Course Description:

This semester course is designed for the highly motivated, academically superior student with advanced skills in reading and writing. The genres studied will include short stories, poetry, nonfiction, drama, the Arthurian legend, and the novel. Typically, a student who completes this course with an *A* or *B* will be prepared to continue on to take AP Language/Composition as a Junior. Communication skills, involving vocabulary, spelling, and grammar, will be expanded through extensive composition work. A semester project is required. *This course carries the Honors G.P.A. weighting.*

Units of Study:

- Communication
- Short Stories
- *Julius Caesar*
- Research Writing
- *Lord of the Flies*
- *Fahrenheit 451*
- *1984*
- Author Project
- Composition / Grammar

Texts and Required Readings may include:

Prentice Hall Literature 10th grade
Shakespeare's Julius Caesar
Lord of the Flies
1984
Fahrenheit 451

BHS Grading Scale and Policy:

The semester final grade is obtained from running semester grade (80%) and the semester final exam grade (20%). This means that you will have already earned 80% of your final grade by the time you reach semester exams. Semester exams are required. [BHS Handbook, pg. 17](#)

90-100% = A

80-89% = B

70-79% = C

60-69% = D

Below 60% = F

BHS Makeup Work Policy:

All students are expected to do makeup work in a timely fashion. It is the student's responsibility to obtain assignments prior to a pre-arranged absence, and immediately upon return for all other absences. General rule: one day absence affords one day to complete formative makeup work. For summative, students should

expect to complete on the day of return. Failure to complete makeup work by the teacher deadline will result in a zero/missing in Gradebook. [BHS Handbook, pg. 37](#).

Discussing Controversial Issues in the Classroom:

The guidelines set forth by the District 87 Board Policy 6.070 will be used handling controversial issues in the classroom. Please contact your teacher if you have any questions.