### **Providence Extension Program - Mason**

Core D – Composition & Ancient Literature | 2021-2022

## **Communication Info & Policy:**

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Email is the best way to reach me for any PEP needs and I try to respond within 2 hours of the student email. I encourage the students to email their questions/needs directly and I will copy parents on my responses to keep them informed. **NOTE: I monitor my email from 8:00 am – 8:00 pm Mondays-Thursdays, and 8:00 am – 5:00 pm on Fridays.** 

### **Course Description:**

The Composition & Ancient Literature class includes authors from ancient and medieval literature who have greatly influenced global writing throughout the ages. By studying these masters, students will enhance their literary analysis skills and will begin learning rhetorical concepts used to persuade. Writing assignments will often be taken from the reading in order to help the student continue to think both analytically and persuasively.

#### **Course Materials\*\*:**

The Lively Art of Writing; Epic of Gilgamesh; The Odyssey: Three Theban Plays: Antigone, Oedipus the King, and Oedipus at Colonus; Beowulf; Sir Gawain and the Green Knight; Le Morte d'Arthur

\*\*If buying used books, they <u>must be clean copies free from any previous annotations</u> and be the specific version listed on the PEP book list. Please compare the ISBN number on the back of your student's book to the PEP book list to guarantee it is the correct text.

# **Suggested Supplies:**

- Note-taking supplies
- Folder or Binder

#### **Evaluation Methods:**

Essays 40% Tests/Quizzes 20% Annotations 20%

Homework/Classwork 10% Participation/Preparation 10%

## **Student Expectations:**

- ✓ Arrive on time
- ✓ Complete all assignments before the start of class
- ✓ Bring all necessary materials each day
- ✓ Engage in class discussion
- ✓ Listen when others are speaking

#### TurnItIn:

During the first week of class, please log in to Turnitin (www.turnitin.com) and create an account. An email will be sent to parents with the Turnitin class ID and enrollment key. PEP policies concerning academic cheating and plagiarism will be strictly enforced.

### **Writing Assignment Requirements:**

- MLA format is required for all writing assignments. The Purdue OWL is a great resource!
- Use the conventions of English grammar, syntax, spelling, punctuation, and style.
- Proofread your written work and ask at least one other person to proof your work prior to turning it in. Someone else's eyes need to see your paper before mine do!

# **Late Work Policy:**

All assignments should be turned in according to the due dates listed on the Quarterly Pacing Guide. Any assignment turned in late will receive a 20% penalty for every class period after the deadline. Assignments more than 2 class periods late will receive a 0. In addition, by turning in work late, students waive the privilege of receiving comments on their work. If students upload assignments late to Turnitin.com, their late submission is subject to the late work penalty also. An assignment is considered on time when the paper copy and the digital copy (when applicable) are submitted by the due date. Turnitin requirements are detailed on the Pacing Guide and on assignment sheets.

#### Absences

If a student must be absent from class, the parent is expected to notify the PEP Site Administrator and their tutor.

- Planned absences: With the limited amount of class time, it is recommended that parents keep planned absences to a minimum and utilize the PEP school breaks for vacations, family trips, etc. However, if a planned absence is necessary, parents must inform the tutor prior to the missed time. The parent and tutor can work out an appropriate schedule for the student to make up any class work, in-class writing or administered quizzes. At the latest, this work will be due when the student returns to class. If the make-up work is not completed according to the predetermined schedule agreed on, the Late Work Policy will apply.
- **Unplanned absences** (e.g. illness, family emergency): The parent/student may work with the tutor to adjust due dates based on the situation.

Please cut and return by Wednesday, August 25, 2021	
I have read the Core D Comp & Lit Sy	llabus, and agree to abide by the class rules and guideline
Parent Signature	Date
Student Signature	 Date