Teacher Name: M. Bishop  
Course Name: English IV Honors  
Contact: mbishop@volusia.k12.fl.us or (386) 822-6909

TEXTBOOK (s) USED:
- Houghton-Mifflin Harcourt: into Literature Florida  
- Novels: The Things They Carried, One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest, Frankenstein  
- Plays: Shakespeare’s Hamlet, A Doll’s House

MATERIALS NEEDED FOR CLASS:
- 3 ring binder with standard college loose leaf notebook paper OR College Ruled 3 Subject Spiral  
- pens/pencils  
- highlighters  
- laptop  
- college ruled composition notebook (Writers’ Notebook)

Course Objectives:
- Students will determine ways that people have opposed injustice throughout history.  
- Understand how writers synthesize information from more than one source to create an informative essay.  
- Students are exposed to the changes, in recent decades, of the traditional roles of men and women.  
- Students will determine how texts are used as evidence in argument writing and discussion.  
- Students will answer the following: 1. How and why do people take risks? 2. How do writers use textual evidence in a literary analysis of poetry? 3. Is it more important to revenge evil acts or end conflict through reconciliation? 4. How do writers and speakers express their ideas while maintaining an appropriate tone and mood?

DONATIONS GREATLY APPRECIATED: computer paper, tissues, pencils/pens, and hand sanitizer.

Semester 1 Assessments:
- Synthesis Essay (Beowulf)  
- Choice Assessments (literary selections)  
- Literary Analysis (Hamlet)
Semester 2 Assessments:
- Argument or Informative Writing
- Novel assessment
- Narrative Writing

Assessments & Weights:
Diagnostic: (0%) screening prior to instruction for learner readiness
Formative: (40%) ongoing assessment/grading provides patterns of learning & enables the teacher to determine if students are prepared for the summative
Summative: (60%) major projects/assignments with multiple measures

Teacher’s Authority to Override Final Grade: A teacher may override the final grade if a student’s performance warrants it; the override may result in a lower final grade.

Computer Ethics: Students are expected to abide by the rules set forth by DeLand High School regarding computer use.

Khan Academy: Students should spend time regularly in the program for SAT practice and/or grammar review.

Make-Up Work Policy: It is the responsibility of the student to request the make-up work from the teacher. A daily agenda is posted, and weekly assignments are posted each Monday with due dates. A Teams session will be created for each class to assist sharing assignments with students who have contacted me regarding an illness or absence; keep me in the know. An email also keeps our lines of communication open.

Diversity Policy
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I have read the entire syllabus for English IV Honors. If I have any questions, I will contact my child’s English teacher at DeLand High School; the telephone number is 822-6909.

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Parent’s signature

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Date

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Parent’s Printed Name

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Student’s Name

Parent’s email: ______________________________

Contact numbers: ____________________________ (home)
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DELAND HIGH SCHOOL
ENGLISH IV COURSE SYLLABUS
2022-2023
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➢ ACT (NCR) – concordant score for graduation—only students needing this requirement for graduation
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M. Bishop: Policies & Procedures 2022-2023

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Entering the Classroom:

1. When you enter the classroom, please have all outside business completed – including using the restroom, going to the office, or going to your locker.
2. We are a one-to-one school with laptops; laptops are for instruction and assignments—not videos and movies. Abide by school computer rules.
3. Be in your seat when the late bell rings. Be prepared with paper, pens/pencils, books, notebooks, and assignments when class begins.

During Class:

1. Restroom passes will be issued only after the first 10 minutes or prior to the last 10 minutes of class. Please do not ask for a pass during instructional time.
2. Students will raise their hands and wait to be called upon when answering questions. Participation in discussion is desirable but will be orderly and respectful.
3. Respect yourself, your classmates, your teacher, and be respectful of the property of others and the school.
4. Be courteous and cooperative. Be silent during announcements, reading time, or when others are speaking.
5. Refrain from the use of profanity, disruptive and/or offensive language, and harassing behavior (verbal or otherwise).

Exiting the Classroom:

1. Please do not pack up until you are instructed to do so by your teacher.
2. You will be dismissed by the teacher not by the bell. The bell is a signal to the teacher; it is not a signal to the student.
3. Remain seated until dismissed.

Participation:

Participation, just like in life, is important to your success. School is not a spectator sport! You need to be present, on time, and actively involved in reading, writing, and discussion for a return on your “investment.”

Absences and Tardies:

Absences and tardies adversely affect a student’s grade; however, your health is of utmost importance. Communicate with me and keep me “in the know!” Email me at mbishop@volusia.k12.fl.us. I will be creating a Teams session for each class and an email distribution list for families—Senior year is a marathon filled with due dates and important events.
The Bulldog Way:

2. Show up on time, every time.
3. Dude, be nice!
4. Know where to be.
5. Keep it clean.
6. Be better today than yesterday.

Academic Integrity:

DHS has implemented an Academic Integrity policy. It is my expectation that students will display honor and integrity in all assignments submitted in class. Copying someone else’s work, whether it is from a classmate or an internet source is unacceptable. A grade of ZERO will be given to any assignment that is determined to NOT be original work from that student. Any ZERO grade earned as a result of academic dishonesty is ineligible for make-up.

I have read the policies and procedures.

____________________________________  ____________________
Parent Signature                      Date                      Student Signature

Parent Contact Email for distribution list: _____________________________________

Please print legibly. 😊