**American Literature and Composition Open House Information Sheet – C. Veale**

Welcome to your sophomore year of high school English! A complete syllabus will be distributed on the first day of school that will list the works we will read and the expectations for the year. Please be sure to read this carefully! You will also have access to the syllabus and more on Canvas on the first day of school!

**Supplies Needed for American Literature**:

* **\*\*Please NO spiral notebooks—we will be keeping writing folders and loose-leaf paper works best**
* **1 three-ring binder (preferably 2 ½-3 inches; NO smaller than that)**
* **loose-leaf college ruled paper**
* **blue/black ink pens, pencils**
* **post-it notes (sticky notes)**
* **highlighters**
* **flash drive/method for saving work**
* **A *charged* laptop to bring to school during research papers and various writing assignments**

**Grading Policy**:

* 40% = Major Assessments (Tests, presentations, projects, in-class essays, research papers, MC exam practice, etc.)
* 60% = Minor Assessments (Classwork, journals, in-class assignments, Socratic Seminars, etc.)

**Contacting Me**:

* I believe in keeping close contact with students and parents, especially if there is an issue or something I need to know about. Please feel free to call and leave a message for me in the office or contact me by email (**vealeco@boe.richmond.k12.ga.us**). Email is the fastest and most reliable way to get to me.
  + If a conference becomes necessary, please call Mrs. Landis to schedule one. Please remember if your student is having a problem, be sure to let me know. We can usually work out an acceptable solution together. Students can contact me during the school day (in person) or until 5:00pm on weekdays via Remind (sign-up instructions on back) or email.

**End of Course Exam:**

* All students are required to take and pass the End of Course exam for American Literature. ***This year, our school goal is to have 100% pass rate (Proficient or Distinguished).*** We will work towards this goal all year. The test will take place in the spring between April 28 and May 9.

**Remind**

* Join my Remind to stay up to date with announcements and current events!
* Send a text to 81010 with the message @alit2425