

AP Literature & Composition

MONTGOMERY CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

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"Books are a uniquely portable magic"

Stephen King



## Overall Course Content

The AP Literature and Composition program is a rigorous course of study designed "to engage students in the careful reading and critical analysis of imaginative literature." It enables students to prepare for college level academic work and to qualify for college credit through the AP Exam in May. Students will read a wide variety of challenging works of literature, write extensively, and engage in serious discussion. Our texts will include novels, plays, short stories, poetry, and non-fiction supplemental articles and films ranging from the 17<sup>th</sup> through 21<sup>st</sup> centuries.

## Why Take AP Literature & Composition

AP Literature & Composition teaches skills that will translate well beyond the classroom, and you don't have to be an English major to benefit! This course fosters critical & analytical thinking, problem solving, and creativity. Students taking AP Lit & Comp also hone their skills in communication-both written and spoken. Being able to communicate effectively is a valuable quality for ANY profession and indeed in life! Finally, AP Lit & Comp allows us to take some time every day to consider the human condition, to view our world and ourselves through the lens of fiction, and to learn from it. Oh and one more thing.... it's fun. ©

## Costs and Awards

The AP Lit & Comp Exam is \$92 but this year we are still under the NMSI Grant, allowing students to take the exam for \$47. Students also have their payment refunded by CMCSS when they earn a qualifying score of 3, 4, or 5 on the exam. In addition, students who earn a qualifying score are awarded \$100 from the NMSI Grant. All AP Lit & Comp texts are provided to students. Required materials for purchase are a journaling notebook and a 3 ring binder. Periodically we will go on academic field trips that will have some cost, but these are all optional and financial assistance is sometimes available.

## Frequently Asked Questions

Go straight to the source:

https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/courses/ap-english-literature-and-composition/course/frequently-asked-questions

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