

Northwest Cabarrus High School

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Christopher Myers *Principal*

Dear Northwest Cabarrus High School Senior Students and Parents,

Once again, Honors English IV will be offered during the spring semester of the 2018-19 school year as a Blended Learning course. Blended learning classrooms, sometimes called hybrid classrooms, combine traditional classroom education and online learning. Students will benefit from the advantages of face to face interactions with the teacher and fellow students, with the structure and accountability of a traditional class, as well as the flexibility, online learning tools, technology immersion and student choice of an online learning environment. Students will be in the classroom on alternating days, and the other days they will be learning independently during designated class time utilizing online tools designed by the teacher. The class will be set up on a semester-long A/B schedule during 1st and 4th periods. Students will learn the same skills and English IV content that they would in a traditional class; however, the blended learning model will be more flexible and dynamic than the traditional classroom setting.

Due to the A/B day alternating structure of the Blended Learning Model, there are several requirements for students involved in the program:

- * Students must be self-motivated to meet the expectations of this course and self-disciplined to do the necessary coursework on days the class does not meet in person (not a "free" day).
- * Due to the digital emphasis of the course, students will need reliable technology to access at home; however, technology will also be available on their "flex" days if they choose to remain on campus.
- * On independent learning days, students may flex if transportation is accessible and supported by parents and/or guardians. Students who plan to stay on campus must report to Mr. Patton in room A141 at 7:15 a.m. or 12:45 pm daily for accountability purposes. Students may not be in any other school location unless approved by teacher and/or administration. Students choosing to flex on their "flex day" will not be marked absent.
- * Students who are scheduled to meet to start the week on Monday (depending on the A/B schedule) will meet a third time on Friday of that week. The following week, they will only meet on Tuesday and Thursday. The rotation will stand throughout the semester.
- * Any student deemed academically "at-risk" following the third grading period will have the "flex" option removed and must report each day. Student Services will contact students and families in this situation.

Any questions that you may have can be directed to Principal Chris Myers.

