



## English Department

### Curricula Grades 9-12



Norwell Public Schools' grades 9-12 English curricula follow the standards for English Language Arts content, which includes standards for reading, writing, speaking and listening, and language from the 2017 English Language Arts and Literacy Framework. All courses 9-12 meet or exceed the standards presented in these Frameworks. While the Frameworks do not prescribe a set reading list for all students, the English curricula is designed so that students are exposed to a wide variety of types of texts, including texts of high literary merit and significance.

The **English Department** at Norwell High School believes, along with the Massachusetts DESE, that students who are ready for College, Careers, and Civic participation should share certain attributes as defined in the Curriculum Frameworks.

- They demonstrate independence.
- They build strong content knowledge.
- They respond to the varying demands of audience, task, purpose, and discipline.
- They comprehend as well as critique.
- They value evidence.
- They use technology and digital media strategically and capably.
- They come to understand other perspectives and cultures.

#### Grade 9

Genre Study H  
Genre Study CP

#### Grade 10

British Literature H  
British Literature CP

#### Grade 11

American Voices H  
American Voices CP  
AP English Language

#### Grade 12

AP Literature  
Creative Writing (H/CP)  
The Sea in Literature (H/CP)  
Semantics (H/CP)  
Literature of the Utopias (H/CP)  
Literature and Identity (H/CP)  
The Epic Journey (H/CP)

[2017 Massachusetts English Language Arts and Literacy Frameworks](#)

[Norwell High School Program of Studies](#) provides more detailed information about courses, expectations and opportunities.