



Harlan High School

SUMMER READING

English IV Honors Dual Credit (1301 and 1302)
2025-2026

Welcome to English 4 Honors Dual Credit! These classes focus largely on the analysis of **nonfiction texts and argumentative texts, along with college level composition skills.** This course will also focus on reading and writing skills that are equivalent to what you would practice in a college level Composition I and II course at Northwest Vista College (NVC)

Thus, with an eye toward eventual analysis and composition, we are asking students to read the following text, ***How to Read Non-fiction Like a Professor* by Thomas C. Foster.** Our course consists of reading various types of genres including mostly nonfiction, with articles, argumentative texts, and real world connections. We will occasionally include fiction pieces that connect to the text that we will analyze in and out of class. This book will serve as the foundational textbook for the course. Students are expected to connect various ideas and concepts from the book to the texts we will read in class, and outside of class.

Please know that you are strongly encouraged to obtain your own copy of the book to more easily annotate and interact with it as you read.

Annotation can be especially helpful when studying a piece. Please notate in a way that helps you best find key points in the text, as will refer to it often.

Here are some notation tips:

- ★ Summarize key points
- ★ Underline stand out quotes
- ★ Circle words that you don't know and define them
- ★ Highlighting areas you find familiar from movies, or other books.

Recognizing that English 4 Honors Dual Credit is a college-level class and our reading features mature content, please be aware that the textbook will address mature content and how those concepts may or may not be represented in real world writing and how to critically analyze them.

***How to Read Non-fiction Like a Professor* by Thomas C. Foster**

For further information:

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