

# English 11

## Meet The Teacher



Victoria Fine

Hello! I am so excited to share my eighth year at BASH with you! I earned my bachelor's degree from West Chester University and my master's degree from Gwynedd Mercy University. My husband and I have a feisty toddler who thinks he is a T-Rex, and a cat who knows she is a T-Rex.

## Course Description

This year, students will embark on a journey of American Literature and the various literary movements unique to our nation. As we navigate through these topics as a class, we will also build our reading, writing, and critical thinking skills.

## Texts and Topics

Major Texts Include:

*All My Sons*

*The Great Gatsby*

*The Things They Carried*

Genres and Movements:

Early American

Native American

Transcendentalism,

Realism, Gothic Lit

## Grade Breakdown

**Summative** 60%

**Formative** 30%

**Participation** 10%

## Weighted Gradebook

A weighted gradebook means that assignments are organized into categories and each category is worth a certain percentage of the quarter grade.

**Summative** assignments include essays, projects, tests, quizzes, and other assessments that exhibit student learning, working towards mastery.

**Formative** assignments include classwork, homework, and other work considered practice towards mastery in a skill or concept.

## Contact Information

Email is the most efficient way to reach me. I will reply as soon as I am able.

**[Email]:** [vfine@boyertownasd.org](mailto:vfine@boyertownasd.org)

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**[Room Number]** 701

## Required Materials

For class you will need:

1-inch binder

5 dividers

Pens and/or pencils

Laptop

Charger

Lined Paper

# Norms and Expectations

## Cell Phones

Cell phones will be placed in the phone caddy for safe keeping during class. This includes airpods/headphones and may apply to smart watches if they become an issue. Cell phones will remain in the caddy and may be picked up as students exit the room at the end of class. Inappropriate cell phone use will result in disciplinary action.

## Late Work

Work is expected to be submitted on time. **Formative** assignments will be accepted for a week past the due date with no late penalty. Beyond that point, the grade is a zero. **Summative** assignments will be accepted at any point after the due date within the marking period. However, if a summative assignment is submitted after the due date the student forfeits their opportunity for revisions on that assignment.

## Absences

Students must check the "What Did I Miss?" doc posted in Google Classroom when absent. **Formative** assignments should be handed in by the late date, referenced above. **Summative** assignments are still expected to be turned in even if the student is absent. Extenuating circumstances will be handled on an individual basis.

## Revisions

Any **summative** assignment may be revised at any point through the school year as long as the original assignment was submitted on time. Students must request to revise. While revisions are not capped at a particular percentage, they do not guarantee a certain grade. There will be a cut-off date for revisions before the end of the school year.

## In Our Classroom

**Be Here:** You are not only expected to be on time, but to be mentally engaged in class.  
**Be Responsible:** Have your materials for class and make safe choices in our room. (And always!)  
**Be Respectful:** Act and speak appropriately. Be respectful to everyone who enters our room.  
**Be Awesome:** Be kind, work hard, and just try your best.

## May I Have Your Autograph?

Once you and your guardian have read through the syllabus, please sign below to affirm your understanding of English 11 with Ms. Fine!

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Print Student Name

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Student Signature

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Guardian Signature