English Department 2022-2023



"With hard work, learning English, and getting involved, there is no limit on what you can achieve." Arnold Schwarzenegger

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Together, the dynamic teachers of the English department have over 35 years of teaching experience combined at the middle and high school levels. We believe in teaching the whole child, invigorating in them the love of books as well as the English Language, and responding to their academic, and social, emotional learning needs.

The English Language Arts curriculum, adopted by BCPS, embodies the Common Core State Standards for reading, writing, language, speaking, and listening, which are taught using an integrated approach. Therefore, all students in English classes are expected to participate actively in reading poetry, fiction, and non-fiction texts, and justify their responses to questions using textual evidence.

All units may include the following: journal entries, vocabulary activities, grammar, usage, mechanics, literary analysis, quizzes, SAT style writing assignments, and a performance-based assessment (PBA).

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