

KPBSD ELA Curriculum Secondary ELA Course Descriptions

Grades 6-8

In these grades, learners will read a variety of informational and literary texts to write in different structures and create conclusions supported by textual evidence by following 6th – 8th grade Reading, Writing, and Language Alaska Standards. Learners will follow Technology, Speaking, and Listening Alaska Standards to work collaboratively and present information in a wide variety of ways.

Grade 9 Language Arts: Genre and Theme

This 9th grade course will provide an overview of literature across the major in order forms and genres in order to prepare for focused literary study in subsequent grades.

Grade 10 Language Arts: World Literature

This 10th grade course will examine the relationship between literature, culture, and historical events in different regions of the world in order for learners to better understand the worldview of the people of certain regions and continually evolving relationships between regions.

Grade 11 Language Arts: American Literature

This 11th grade course will examine the relationship between literature and history throughout America in order for learners to understand the continuing evolution of American culture.

Language Arts 12: European Literature

This 12th grade course will examine the relationship between literature and history throughout Europe in order for learners to understand the foundations of Western culture.

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Language Arts Electives

As the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District moves forward with an initiative to personalize learning, it is clear that offering numerous ELA electives will encourage this process. If teachers and schools view course offerings as an opportunity to meet the learning demands of students, there is great potential—as the courses, rooted in standards, address a wider swath of interest—to reach the individual needs of many more students. For those teachers and schools who would like to offer an ELA elective, please refer to board policy (<http://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=30042>) to facilitate this process.