

Application for honors English class
Due with course request form to homeroom teacher by January 20, 2016

Name of Applicant: (print) _____

In comparison to regular English classes, Honors English classes will be a faster, more in-depth, comprehensive study of literature, grammar, vocabulary, and composition. Honors English students must complete summer reading assignments, and during the school year will read a minimum of six novels, write at least six major papers, complete a research paper, and complete a major state-required research project. Honors English classes are not necessary for college success and are not required to earn an honors diploma.

The student's ISTEP score, current English grade, reading and writing ability will be used by the English and guidance departments to assess the student's eligibility for the honors English program. Once admitted to the program, a grade of lower than a B- for the semester will result in the student's being on probation. This will give the student the next semester to bring the grade up to the required B- or above. Committing an act of plagiarism will also put the student on academic probation for the next semester.

Good attendance is imperative to your success in the class. Students who do not turn in their forms on time will reveal to the faculty committee a lapse in responsibility. Forms will be gladly accepted early.

Note: The acceptance into an honors English class includes **required** summer reading.

I understand that I will be expected to complete all summer reading assignments, meet all classroom requirements, maintain an above average grade (at least a B-) each semester and not commit plagiarism to continue to be included in the honors English program at Western Boone. I also understand that I must pass an assessment of the summer reading at the start of the course.

Applicant's signature: _____

Parent/Guardian's signature: _____

See below for criteria

Teacher Section

Most recent semester grade in English _____ (Acceptance requires at least a B- in English course.)

Passed the 5th Grade Language Arts ISTEP _____ yes _____ no

STAR Reading Score Grade Equivalency _____

Current English teacher's recommendation _____ yes _____ no