

## English 9-12 SPECIAL NOTES

### LARGE-SCALE MARKING PERIOD ASSIGNMENT- MEMORY PASSAGE

- Grades 9, 10, and 12 all implement Shakespearean Memory Passage assignments. These assignments carry a high point value, approximately 20% of a marking period grade. Students will have an assigned passage presentation date; a deduction of 10% grade value per day will be made for students not prepared. If a student doesn't complete this assignment after 2 days of late penalties, a 0% will be recorded as the grade.

### SPEECH GUIDELINES 9-12

1. Speech assignment is no longer a graduation requirement, however, it is still (by weighted point value) ultimately a semester requirement. This means that should a student fail to give said speech OR meet the minimum time requirements set forth, a failing semester grade will likely result.
2. Department standards- on average, a 5-10 minute speech (specific advanced level courses may have an adjusted time) must be given in front of class.
  - A. A 30-second leniency window will be provided (meaning 4:30 counts as penalty-free!)
  - B. Speeches that fall in the 3:30-4:29 window will receive an automatic 20% grade reduction.
  - C. Speeches that fall in the 2:30-3:29 window will receive an automatic 40% grade reduction.
  - D. Speeches under 2:30 in length will receive NO CREDIT. Note- individuals failing to speak on assigned dates are also subject to receiving NO CREDIT.