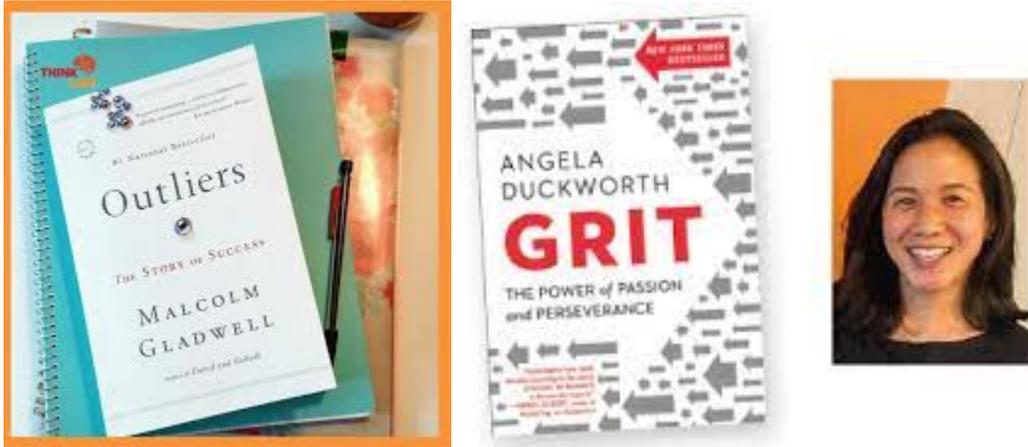


# ENGLISH III AP LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION

Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome to English III: AP Language and Composition! English III AP is designed to orient students with the wide variety of non-fiction texts in America as well as prepare them for the AP exam, their senior year, college, and beyond. For that reason, it is important for the students to continue to read throughout the summer in order to prepare them for the kind of texts they will encounter in the classroom this coming year.



This year, the AP students will have the choice to read *Outliers* by Malcolm Gladwell OR *Grit* by Angela Duckworth. Students will need to bring the text they choose on the first day of class, be prepared for a discussion that day, a project that week, and an essay at the end of the first week of school. Both books are sociological studies about the nature of success. Students will focus their reading on the case studies presented and how the authors develop the main argument of their book. Specific instructions will be provided June 1st on my Google Classroom page. Students will use the text and draw comparisons throughout the entirety of the school year.

Parents are encouraged to read along with students in order to assist them in the reading assignment. Reading what your child reads is a great benefit to them, and enables discussion at home about the issues still seen today.

**Most importantly, students will need to sign up for my AP Google Classroom (classroom code is s26af7c). On June 1st, I will provide specific instructions for how to focus your text annotations within your chosen text, so wait until at least after June 1st, 2021, to begin reading whichever book above you choose, whether it be *Outliers* or *Grit*. STUDENTS MUST BE SIGNED UP FOR MY CLASSROOM BY June 1st.**

Enjoy your summer, and if you have any questions, feel free to email!

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