

Dear AP Students:

I would like to welcome you to AP Language and Composition for the 2017-2018 school year. This course is designed to provide you with an opportunity to receive college credit for course work that will be challenging and rigorous. The expectation is that you can perform college-level work. AP students demonstrate a strong work ethic and a commitment to the production of superior quality artifacts that reflect a curious and inquisitive mind. If you have chosen AP, then you enjoy challenging experiences that push you to grow in new and sometimes unexpected ways. The summer reading work is due upon our return to school in August.

- *Into the Wild* by John Krakauer

**Literary and Academic Vocabulary:**

Alliteration	Irony
Allusion	Logos
Analogy	Metaphor
Anecdote	Oxymoron
Antecedent	Paradox
Argument	Parallelism
Attitude	Pathos
Audience	Personification
Bias	Author's purpose
Cite	Rhetoric
Claim	Rhetorical question
Connotation	Satire
Context	Simile
Denotation	Speaker
Diction	Subject
Ethos	Thesis statement
Figurative language	Tone
Hyperbole	Topic sentence
Imagery	Voice

**\*\*Expect an opportunity to demonstrate a working knowledge of these terms and the novel when first we meet in August.**