Eighth Grade Literature and Composition 2017-2018

Quarter One Calendar

**Week One: August 8-11**

Tuesday – Course overview; Introduction to *Beowulf*; Assessment

Wednesday – Read homework for tomorrow in class: *Beowulf* (lines 1-319); Vocab

Lesson 1

Thursday – *Beowulf*, lines 1-319

Friday – *Beowulf*, lines 320-641

**Week Two: August 14-18**

Monday – Beowulf, lines 641-914

Tuesday – *Beowulf*, lines 915-1214

Wednesday – *Beowulf*, lines 1215-1517; Vocabulary Lesson 2

Thursday – *Beowulf*, lines 1518-1812

Friday – *Beowulf*, lines 1813-2114

**Week Three: August 21-25**

Monday – *Beowulf*, lines 2115-2396

Tuesday – *Beowulf,* lines 2397-2751

Wednesday – *Beowulf*, lines 2752-3037; Vocabulary lesson 3

Thursday – Finish *Beowulf* for class today; Review

Friday – *Beowulf* exam; Introduction to the 5-paragraph essay

**Week Four: August 28-September 1**

Monday – Overview of the 5-paragraph essay, continued; Essay topics

Tuesday – Introduction due; thesis review

Wednesday – Outline with quotations due; Vocabulary Quiz, lessons 1-3

Thursday – Rough draft due; In-class writing; Vocabulary Lesson 4

Friday – Essay revisions; In-class reading

**Week Five: September 4-8**

Monday – No School, Labor Day

Tuesday – In-class reading, *Grendel*

Wednesday – “The Lottery”; Vocabulary lesson 5

Thursday – “The Darling”

Friday – “Train from Rhodesia”

**Week Six: September 11-15**

Monday – Introduction to Arthurian legends and *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*

Tuesday – *Sir Gawain*, Part I

Wednesday – *Sir Gawain*, Part II; Vocabulary lesson 6

Thursday – *Sir Gawain*, Part III (pp. 93-104)

Friday – *Sir Gawain*, Part III (pp. 104-116)

**Week Seven: September 18-22**

Monday – *Sir Gawain*, Part IV

Tuesday – Vocabulary Quiz, Lessons 4-6; Sir Gawain Essay topics

Wednesday – Introductions due; thesis review

Thursday – No School, Fall Holiday

Friday – In-class writing; Outline with quotes due; Vocabulary lesson 7

**Week Eight: September 25-29**

Monday – Rough Drafts due; “The Wife’s Story”

Tuesday – Essay Due; “Axolotl”

Wednesday – “The Man Who Was Almost a Man”; Vocabulary lesson 8

Thursday – “Barn Burning”

Friday – “A Sound of Thunder”

**Week Nine: October 2-6**

Monday – “Chrysanthemums”; Vocabulary lesson 9

Tuesday – “The Bride Comes to Yellow Sky”

Wednesday – “An Occurrence at Owl Creek Bridge”

Thursday – Vocabulary Quiz, Lessons 7-9; “The Flying Machine”

Friday – “The Catbird Seat”