

COMMUNICATIONS CURRICULM OUTLINE

COMMUNICATIIONS I

Quarter 1:

- Four CIM writing assignments -- narrative, expository, persuasive, imaginative
- Four speeches, verbal presentations of each of the four CIM writing assignments
- Life science/communications research paper

Quarter 2

- Analysis of five short stories (six essays)
- Careers/communications essay: Why this Career?
- Earth science/communications research paper

Quarter 3

- Analysis of a novel (six essays, one speech)
- Career/tech strand/communications descriptive essay: So this is the workplace.

Quarter 4

- Analysis of four poems (five essays)
- Compare and contrast two nonfiction readings
- Write an editorial

COMMUNICATIONS II

Quarter 1:

- Four CIM writing assignments – narrative, expository, persuasive, imaginative
- Verbal presentation of strand involved with
- Write a biography
- Career investigation
- Create a product and sell it to an audience
- Tell a story
- Careers/communications essay – career qualifications and how to achieve them

Quarter 2:

- Technical writing – report on how two articles explain how to perform tasks, write three “How to . . .” essays two of which will follow written academic technical standards, write an essay instructing the reader to do something involved in your strand

- Careers/communications – essay to a prospective employee explaining what you can do for your career and what you will gain at the chosen workplace
- Health/communications research paper

Quarter 3:

- Analysis of a novel (four essays)
- Analysis of Twelve Angry Men (two essays)
- Careers/communications – three letters: job applications cover letter, thank you letter for a job interview, thank you letter for information interview

Quarter 4

- Analysis of a play (four essays)
- Analysis of Inherit the Wind (three essays)
- Careers/communications – job and information interview summaries

COMMUNICATIONS III

Quarter 1

- Analysis of an American pre-1900 historical novel (five essays)
- One essay communications and history graded
- Analysis of pre-1900 poetry/lyrics (six essays)
- Careers/communications – explain how to approach a prospective employer

Quarter 2

- Analysis of a post-1900 American historical novel (five essays)
- Analysis of poetry/lyrics written after 1900 (five essays)
- Careers/communications – explain why you selected the career choice you did

Quarter 3

- American history/communications – research paper using the APA format
- Formal academic review of strand project you are involved in

Quarter 4

- Analysis of an American autobiography (five essays)
- Careers/communications – describe and explain importance of training you have and will have to reach your career goals
- Careers/communications – review of job you have

COMMUNICATIONS IV

Quarter 1

- Analysis of a foreign piece of literature (five essays)
- Essay explaining your philosophy of life
- Technical strand/communications – evaluation of your strand essay

Quarter 2

- **Government/communications – research paper using APA format**

Quarter 3

- **Analysis of a foreign historical novel (five essays)**
- **Evaluation of Career Tech High School**
- **Careers/communications – informational research paper outlining your career plans after high school**

Quarter 4

- **Technical strand/communications – creation of your professional portfolio**