English 3 is intended to promote more sophisticated reading analysis and writing skills through interpreting various forms of American literature. Students will identify techniques used in the literature and apply those to writing situations. Periods of American history will be examined through the literature to promote an appreciation for events and figures that have shaped our world. Units will incorporate opportunities to utilize and improve skills associated with speaking, listening and viewing. Skills associated with careers, technology, creativity and the real world will be addressed. Furthermore, a variety of persuasive essays, expository essays and open-ended questions will enable the students to master skills necessary to excel on standardized tests and beyond.