

**Cass Technical High School**  
“Home of the Technicians”  
Literature Through Film Syllabus 2023 - 2024

“Cinema is a mirror by which we often see ourselves.” – Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu

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**Course Description:**

This course is designed to enhance visual literacy skills. It focuses on cinema as text and cinematic adaptations. Students will think critically and examine film genres and themes. Students will explore the relationship between film and literature. Students will also increase their vocabulary through word study activities.

**Film Resource:**

<http://www.imdb.com>

**Course Materials:**

1 Composition Book  
Writing Utensils

**Grading Policy:**

The standard grading scale will be used. Rubrics will be used for writing assignments, projects, and presentations.

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| 90-100 | A |
| 80-89  | B |
| 70-79  | C |
| 60-69  | D |
| 0-59   | F |

**Grading Categories:**

Classwork: 20%  
Homework: 10%  
Project: 25%  
Quiz: 20%  
Presentation: 25%

**Late Work Information:**

1 Day Late: 10% Deduction  
2 Days Late: 20% Deduction  
3 Days or More: 30% Deduction

**Assignments:**Writing

- A. Film Reaction Journal and Discussion Board
- B. Film Response Essay Quizzes
- C. Projects

Reading

- A. Visual Interpretation
- B. Film Analysis
- C. Word Enrichment Exercises

Listening and Speaking

- A. Class Discussions
- B. Group Discussions
- C. Presentations

Assessments**Classroom Procedures:**

1. Follow all school rules, the dress code, and the Student Code of Conduct.
  
2. Be prompt, prepared, productive, positive, and polite. (Be Professional)
  
3. Silence is required when listening to presentations and viewing films.
  
4. Stay seated until dismissal.
  
5. Remove ear devices during class.
  
6. Homework is due on your assigned day.

**Student**

**I have read and fully understand the academic and behavioral expectations outlined in Ms. Parker's Literature Through Film course syllabus. I agree to abide by these guidelines.**

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**Printed Name**

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**Signature**

**Parent or Guardian**

**I have read and fully understand the academic and behavioral expectations outlined in Ms. Parker's Literature Through Film course syllabus. I will support and guide my child to abide by these academic and behavioral expectations.**

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**Printed Name**

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**Signature**