



Welcome New ELA Teacher!

We are delighted you will be teaching in Granite School District. Our students need you and we know you are eager to begin. Here are some resources and information you can access now to help you as you begin your career with Granite.



While you can't access many resources until you have your Granite account, you can access our **ELA New Teacher Resources Folder** <https://goo.gl/drzzms> for useful information:

- **Chromebooks**—All core English teachers have access to a classroom set of Chromebooks. Included are materials to share with students, policies and slide presentations.
- **Utah Compose**—www.utahcompose.com While it won't replace your feedback, it can be a valuable resource. Access instructions and materials for Utah Compose, the Utah online writing tool in the folder. Try out the program as a student with 1010 (user and password) and as a teacher with teach4.
- **Online Resources** list for use in lesson planning when the textbooks don't have what you need.
- **Holt *Elements of Literature* and *Elements of Language*** are the approved textbooks for core English classes. Hard copies should be available in your classroom. Access to many resources, from lesson plans to videos, will be available on the district shared drive with your district account.



Access <http://www.graniteschools.org/curriculuminstruction/english-language-arts-secondary/> , our public web page, for relevant links, including:

- **Curriculum maps** for core English classes including standards to be address each quarter. (Reading class curriculum maps and resources <https://goo.gl/MvsCRb>)
- **Approved Novels List**—All trade books used for classroom instruction must be on this list. Contact your department chair for those available at your school or to find out how to submit a nomination for a book you wish to use.
- **Reading Inventory** information—This test of reading comprehension, given by English teachers three times during the year, can provide data that will help you plan your instruction and assess student growth.



Granite provides even more support!

Lesson Plans

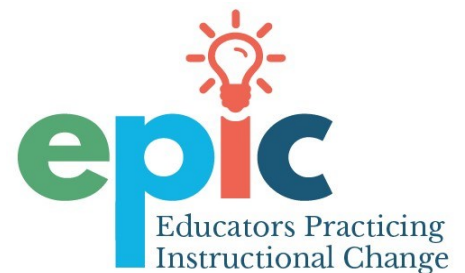
- Try out lesson design templates used in Granite School District in this folder: <https://goo.gl/dqL7DN>
- Access UEN Lesson Plans you can adapt: <https://goo.gl/8U2xyj>

Proficiency Scales provide descriptions of what proficiency looks like for ELA standards, grades 7-12 at levels 2-4. They also include ideas for assessing proficiency: <https://goo.gl/VkDt9e>

EPIC—Educators Practicing Instructional Change

Investigate our new professional learning series

- Schedule of classes: <https://goo.gl/j9TxxL>
- EPIC basics, action plan and observation form: <https://goo.gl/1XWVzF>



You are invited to join us August 3rd for *Grow Better Writers*. (Stipend and lunch will be provided for your participation) Email Lisa McDonald to register at lmcdonald@graniteschools.org



Learn how **we support secondary ELA** and what we can do for you at the district level with this slide presentation: <https://goo.gl/9s4g27>

Last Words

We want you to feel welcome and supported. Do not feel pressured to do or read everything. Checking out this information ahead of time, however, can give you a head start on the learning curve you will encounter the first weeks of school. We would not want you to bite off more than you can chew. Please feel free to contact us with your questions and concerns:

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