

# Coventry Board of Education

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## **Coventry High School English Department Hosts Project Opening Doors (POD): Saturday Student Preparation Sessions**

On Saturday, January 23, students from the POD Eastern Region schools, Coventry, Colchester, Putnam, Windham, Parish Hill, and New London, will attend the second of three Saturday Student Preparation Sessions at Coventry High School. These sessions provide the opportunity for students to enhance their content knowledge, skills, test-taking strategies, and confidence as they prepare for the Advanced Placement exams in English Literature and English Language administered nationwide in May. Recently, participating students took mock exams that will provide data for both the teachers and the students to target instruction and learning. The POD grant financed the initiative and the tests have been professionally scored outside of Connecticut. The day is structured with four 75 minutes sessions, and the presentations are interactive, engaging, and reflect a subject or topic which students will encounter on the Advanced Placement exam. Both students and their teachers benefit from attendance in that students experience free tutoring by different instructors with different approaches, and teachers can see a variety of instructional strategies which can enhance their practices in the Advanced Placement classroom.

For further information, or if you have any questions, please call the Coventry High School at 860-742-7346.