**OEDIPUS THE KING (TAKE-HOME TEST)**

Due Date: 05 OCTOBER 2020 (Monday night, before 2259 Hours)

Students will post the Exam in Q&A Format, Courier New Font, on CANVAS.

Directions I: Students are to complete ALL of the following questions, using the Question & Answer Format. That is, the question must be typed and then the answer must be typed beneath the question. This Assignment must be Typed (Word-Processed, Courier New, 12-point font). Students will find the Notes accompanying this Exam to be of great value in completing the Questions.

1. What is the Sphinx? Describe its appearance?
2. What riddle does the Sphinx pose to all who would enter the city of Thebes?
3. What is the answer to this riddle?
4. What does the term ‘in media res’ mean?
5. Who “sees with the eyes of Apollo”?
6. As the play starts, why is there a plague on the city of Thebes?
7. What are some of the bad things happening as a result of the plague?
8. Who is Creon?
9. What is the function of the Chorus in a Greek drama?
10. In *Oedipus Rex*, who comprises the Chorus?
11. What is the function of a ‘persona’ in Greek drama?
12. Why does Oedipus become angry with Creon and Tiresias?
13. What accusation does Oedipus make against Creon?
14. How does Creon respond to this accusation?
15. What dreadful prophecy did Oedipus’ birth parents, King Laius and Queen Jocasta, receive from the Oracle of Delphos before Oedipus was born?
16. Why is Tiresias initially unwilling to tell Oedipus the truth about the prophecy?
17. Why does Jocasta kill herself?
18. How does Jocasta kill herself?
19. Why does Oedipus blind himself?
20. How does Oedipus blind himself?