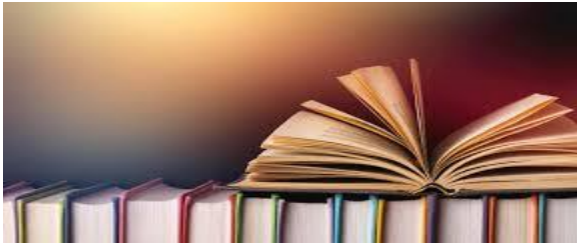


English 2



Course Description

In this class, we will integrate listening, speaking, reading, and writing through the studies of literature and composition. Our goal this year is to learn to read and think as writers. You will have the opportunity to read engaging, thought-provoking texts. By examining these texts, you will build your skills as a writer and be able to

communicate your ideas effectively. We will also spend time improving your vocabulary skills. Discussion, both speaking and listening, as well as working in collaboration with others will play a large role in class and help to prepare you for the college and career world. I look forward to spending the year learning with you!

Classroom Expectations



Prompt- Be on time, check the board for today's agenda, and get to your seat.



Prepared- Bring writing materials, grab class materials, and put electronics away.



Productive- MAXIMIZE learning by staying focused, following directions, and remaining seated.



Polite- Respect yourself, your classmates, the classroom, and the teacher.

Homework

- ❖ I do not assign traditional homework. HOWEVER, you must understand that if you do not use your time wisely, and find yourself with incomplete class work, you will be expected to take it home and complete it.

Grading Scale

Major Work (60%)

Test
Project
Essays
Research Paper



Daily Work (40%)

Classwork
Warm-ups
Participation
Quizzes (x2)

Classroom Procedures

Entering Class:

Come to class before the tardy bell and check the whiteboard for the day's agenda. Gather any necessary materials, quickly find your seat, and begin working on the warm-up posted on the board. This will consist of independent work and class discussion.

Bathroom Usage:

Each student will get 6 bathroom passes during a 6-week period. Either use them or lose them. No bonus points will be offered, nor will they be able to roll-over to the next 6-week period.

Electronic Devices:

I understand the need to stay connected, and I realize that technology is a vital part of our everyday lives; HOWEVER, we will limit the use of our technology. Cellphones can be placed at the charging station for the duration of the period, but you must provide your own charger. Cellphones need to remain out of sight, unless I say otherwise. There will be times that you will get to use your cellphone.

Absences:

If you are absent, it is your responsibility to make-up missed assignments. Ask a classmate what you missed, or come see me before or after school. All absences will be handled according to the handbook policy.

Exiting Class:

In the last 5 minutes of class, we will wrap up what we are working on and return materials to the appropriate locations. You are NOT to gather around the door before the bell rings. You MUST remain seated until the bell dismisses you.

Positive & Negative Consequences

Meeting classroom expectations and behaving appropriately in class helps create a learning environment where you and your classmates feel welcome, safe, and respected.

If you choose to meet the classroom expectations you will receive positive feedback.

If you choose not to meet classroom expectations, you will receive a verbal warning, a change of seat, a student/teacher conference, a phone call home where you get to speak to a parent/guardian notifying them of your poor behavior, a parent/guardian meeting, and/or a referral.

Plagiarism & Cheating

Cheating will not be tolerated. Students that cheat on assignments will have their grade penalized. Students that cheat on quizzes and tests will receive a zero, and they will not be given a chance to retest.

Plagiarism, copying the thoughts, ideas, or words of another person is a serious issue. Plagiarism will not be tolerated. All assignments that are plagiarized will be given a zero with no opportunity to resubmit the assignment. Please make sure that you ask for help if you are unsure about plagiarism.

REQUIRED SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- ❖ 1 COMPOSITION BOOK (NO SPIRALS)
- ❖ 2 GLUE STICKS / TAPE (Replace as needed throughout the school year)
- ❖ WRITING UTENSILS (Pencils/Pens/Highlighters)

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