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School Year: 2025-2026
Room: 27
Conference: please contact me

COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Prerequisite: Successful completion of English II

The English Language and Composition course is designed to help students become skilled readers of prose written in a variety of periods, disciplines, and rhetorical contexts and to become skilled writers who can compose for a variety of purposes. Through their writing and reading in this course, students should become aware of the interactions among a writer's purposes, audience expectations, and subjects, as well as the way generic conventions and the resources of language contribute to effective writing. The intense concentration on language usage in this course should enhance the student's ability to use grammatical conventions both appropriately and with sophistication as well as to develop stylistic maturity in his or her prose.

FORMAT OF CLASS:

Students should expect daily assignments, reading, bookwork, projects, papers, research, and other assignments that meet the needs of the course objectives. This will be a blended environment utilizing virtual (Google Classroom) and written work, with in-person lectures. There will usually be plenty of class time to complete assignments, but occasionally you might have speaking preparation, projects, or other written assignments that will need to be completed for homework.

MATERIALS NEEDED:

Writing Utensil

Composition Notebook (please no spiral notebooks)

CLASS RULES

Be Prompt. Be in line in the hallway, when the bell rings, ready to go to your assigned seat.

Be Prepared. Bring all materials – paper, folder, pens, etc. - every day.

Be Polite. Raise your hand to speak. Respect others and their property.

Be Productive. Remain on task at all times.

Be Personable. Conduct yourself as a person with whom you enjoy spending time.

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CLASS PROCEDURES

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

Each student is expected to come to class every class day. Attendance and participation in activities/discussions are crucial to success in this class. Try your hardest to be in class every class meeting.

BATHROOM POLICY:

All students are expected to utilize the time in between classes to take care of personal bathroom needs. All students will be given two bathroom passes per six weeks. Please remember, no bags are allowed to go with the student out of the classroom to the bathroom.

LATE ASSIGNMENTS:

Assignments submitted after the set due date shall be assessed a penalty. Students are given ample time to complete and submit their work/projects and are made aware of the due dates well in advance. If a student is absent due to a school extracurricular, please get the assignment/material that will be missed before the absence to stay on top of the coursework. It is the student's responsibility to check Google Classroom and with their teacher for missed assignments. If a student is assigned to Saturday School, all work must be completed and returned the following Monday.

CELL PHONES:

See the Student Handbook for clarification, but students should **NOT** have a cell phone visible in the classroom. If a student has their cell phone, it should be completely turned off and put away in their backpack. Your phone will be taken up and turned into the office if it is seen in the classroom.

FOOD & DRINKS:

Food, Gum, and/or Drinks are **NOT** allowed in the classroom. **The only exception is a clear water bottle, and this should be kept under the desk while in the classroom.

EQUIPMENT PREPAREDNESS:

Each student is responsible for proper treatment of all equipment. (Teacher supplies, school iPads, Computers, etc.) Students are responsible for ensuring they are prepared for class, this includes making sure their Chromebook is charged and ready for class use. Please respect the learning environment, treat the tables and chairs as if you were at your great-grandmother's house. We have flexible seating for comfort and convenience, please treat the furniture with care.

EXPECTATION:

Time management is of importance and will be considered in every aspect of this class. I have high expectations of all of my students; I believe all students can do the work within this classroom and succeed. I ask for students to adhere to the rules and procedures of this classroom, and for parents to support them in doing what is expected each school day.

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Please Return to Ms. Walker: Acknowledgement of Syllabus

STUDENT printed name

STUDENT Signature

PARENT/GUARDIAN printed

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Please include good contact information below (phone numbers and/or email) in order to reach a parent/guardian.

Phone: _____

EMAIL: _____

OTHER: _____

Please provide any important information you feel I should know about your child to best serve him/her in the class. Thank you, I look forward to a wonderful school year!