ENGLISH 9 2020-21

Mrs. Ogden

Quick Info:

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- Room 114
- Reminders/announcements will be sent through Canvas

Required Materials (to be kept in the classroom):

- Composition Notebook (for daily warm ups that will stay in classroom)
- 3-ring binder (with dividers/labels) that will stay in classroom
- Post-its
- Highlighters
- Colored pencils or crayons (unless opting to use the class set)

Standards Based Grading

The English Department will be fully using Standard Based Grading. All teachers will be at different levels, so please be patient. Students should expect to see grades at a 4 point scale, with a provided Proficiency Scale for each learning standard.

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Grade Distribution

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Rules and Expectations

Respect: Students will maintain a respectful and positive attitude toward the teacher and classmates. Students will be on time to class.

Phones: Phones will be kept in the "charging station", unless the teacher allows otherwise.

Food in class: You’re welcome to have a snack during class! Just as long as you’re clean and keep it to yourself.

Materials: Students are expected to come prepared with all materials.

Bathroom: As a school-wide rule, the hall-pass cannot be used in the first and last 10 minutes of class.
**Plagiarism & Cheating:**

To plagiarize is defined as taking ideas and writings of another and passing them off as one’s own. **Students caught plagiarizing will be given a U in Citizenship, as well as a ZERO grade until the work is redone.**

Plagiarism includes:
- turning in someone else’s paper as your own
- copying a friend’s work
- Allowing a friend to copy your work
- copying from the internet and passing it off as your own

**HOMEWORK POLICIES**

Assignments are due at the beginning of class.

*LATE WORK*: The last day any late or absent work will be accepted is the Friday before the Quarter ends. Students must fill out a late work voucher upon turning in their late assignments.

*EXTRA CREDIT*: Because we are using standard-based grading, extra credit will not be offered.

*ASSESSMENT RE-TRY*: Students can relearn and re-do an assessment (test, quiz, essay, project, etc.) as long as they have no missing assignments in my class. They are required to complete a re-try form and schedule a study session with me.

**INDEPENDENT READING REQUIREMENTS:**

*Students are required to read one independent novel each quarter, and complete a related project on each book (Quarter 1 Unwind will count as independent reading)*

*Students are encouraged to participate in the Fabulous 40 reading club and will get special rewards at the end of the year!

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**Possible Plan for the Year (subject to change due to COVID)**

Q1: Focus - Short Story Literary elements + Informational Text
   - Focus Text - Multiple short stories, *Unwind* by Neal Shusterman
   - Writing Focus - Argumentative/Lit Analysis

Q2: Focus - Evidence and Reasoning, informational text
   - Reading of focus - *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury
   - Writing Focus - Research

Q3: Focus - Drama and Poetry
   - Reading of focus - *Romeo and Juliet* by William Shakespeare
   - Writing Focus - Creative, narrative

Q4: Focus - The Hero’s Journey, Greek Mythology
   - Reading of focus - *The Odyssey* by Homer
   - Writing Focus - Explanatory/Informational

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**Absent Policy:**

*Yes, we did something important while you were absent.*

It is your responsibility to:

- Check the Calendar, Announcements, and Modules on CANVAS
- Check the “Absent Work” folder for any worksheets passed out.
- Check with me the day you return to class to find out what you missed.
- Get a Prowl pass to get help on missed lessons
- Schedule a Friday sessions for help and re-learning