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# Welcome

My name is **MS. PURITIS!**

# Language Arts-

7th



## COURSE DESCRIPTION

Welcome! Our focus this school year will be learning and developing our skills as critical thinkers, readers, writers, speakers, and listeners. The development and mastery of these important literary skills is not only important to achieving success in our classroom, it is a critical component of achieving success in other school subjects, building strong relationships with others, and attaining a flourishing career as an adult.

Basically, the quality of life you experience now through adulthood will depend a lot on how well you read, write, and communicate with others.

## Expectations

### BE RESPONSIBLE

Come to class on time and be prepared with class materials. Follow class rules and procedures.

### BE RESPECTFUL

Respect yourself, your peers, your teacher, and class supplies. Respect is the foundation of this classroom!

### DO YOUR BEST

Put effort into your work and participate in class. It's ok if you try and fail, but it's not ok to fail to try!

## SUPPLY LIST

- ☐ Writing utensils and highlighters
- ☐ Red Pens
- ☐ Post It notes
- ☐ 1 Composition Notebook
- ☐ One 2 inch 3 ring binder with PAPER
- ☐ Dividers
- ☐ 2 folders

## Procedures

### TURN IN...

Homework or projects go in the turn in bin at the beginning of class on the due date

### Bell-Work

A variety of grammar and editing practice- complete even when absent

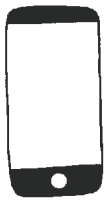
### CLASS WORK

Group work, independent working time, notes, etc...

### CLEAN UP

Pick up materials, return any books or items to the correct location

*"Books are uniquely portable magic." -Stephen King*



## TECH POLICY :

All laptops, headphones, and ipads must remain off unless you are given permission to have them out. Cell phones must remain in your locker. If you have been given permission to use tech during class, you are NOT allowed to email friends/home or engage in social media. If you do not follow these rules you will lose the ability to use tech during class for one week. If you continue to break this policy your tech privilege will be revoked permanently.

## Plagiarism/Cheating POLICY :

Plagiarism, copying the thoughts, ideas, words, or other intellectual property of another, is a serious situation and 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 properly cite all borrowed material; ask for help when needed. Likewise, cheating is unacceptable and will be likely result in receiving a zero. This includes talking during a test or quiz. Please be diligent when studying, respect your time and ability, as well as your fellow students.

## Grading

In this course your grades are broken up into 3 major categories ( Major, Non-Major, and Homework)

Each of these categories are weighted differently. This means that a test or major grade will affect your overall average more than a homework grade.

Major Grades: Projects, Tests

**70%**

**20%**

Daily Grades: Warm-ups, Mini Projects, Quizzes, Etc.

**10%**

Homework: weekly HW grades, participation



## ABSENT?

According to school policy, you are given two days per absence to make up your work. Please check with your peers, me, and the missed work folders.

## TURNING IN WORK

All assignments must be submitted at the beginning of the assigned class period. Homework will not be accepted late. Typed work is expected to be turned in as a hard copy at the beginning of class; you may not print at school. For these long-term assignments, you have four days to turn them in late, with seven points a day being deducted.

Check out the library for book suggestions! Don't forget about independent reading each quarter!

