

7th Grade ELA

COURSE SYLLABUS | SY' 2023 - 24

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

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COURSE OVERVIEW:

In this course, you will:

- ❖ Cite strong textual evidence
- ❖ Participate in collaborative discussions in small & large group settings
- ❖ Read texts closely and independently using the TMS Annotation System
- ❖ Write a variety of essays to answer an essential question per unit of study
- ❖ Respond to short writing prompts to improve their writing skills using RACES strategies
- ❖ Create Project-Based Assessments using Google Slides

GRADING SCALE:

You will be graded on your participation in discussions, in-class work which will include required reading, classwork, RACES paragraphs, Performance-Based Assessments, and many other forms of formative and summative assessments.

A: 90-100%	Highly Proficient
B: 80-89%	Proficient
C: 70-79%	Partially Proficient
D: 60-69%	Minimally Proficient
F: 0-59%	Below Proficient

** At RISK – Not meeting grade-level standards*

CLASSROOM SUPPLIES:

- MyPerspectives textbook
- Highlighters, pencils, colorful pens
- Classroom laptop
- GMAIL - highly advisable

Plan of Study:

Unit 1: Generations
Unit 2: A Starry Night
Unit 3: Turning Points
Unit 5: Facing Adversity

We explore: Reading, Grammar, Writing and Speaking/Listening Goals in each unit to gain expertise and proficiency in ALL areas of study.

Please KEEP AN OPEN MIND AND A WILLING SPIRIT when you enter my classroom DAILY. We will learn a lot from each other this year!



Policies

LATE/MAKE-UP WORK POLICY



* If you are absent, you are still responsible for the assignment(s). ALL assignments are accessible via my website:

<https://www.wrschool.net/Page/5981>.

* if you turn in an assignment late, you can still turn it in for PARTIAL CREDIT.

* I enter 2 grades per week. Updated by Sunday evening.

* Familiarize yourself with POWERSCHOOL. It is an efficient way to know the progress of a students' academic efforts.

GENERAL CLASSROOM RULES:

*Be a SCOUT Role Model:
Be safe, respectful, responsible,
prepared and ready to learn!!!*



CONSEQUENCES

In the event that a student violates the classroom and/or school behavior guidelines as described in the Student Handbook, the following shall be the Behavior Modification System we will follow:

- 1) Verbal Correction or Warning
- 2) Teacher and Student Conference – complete a **Stop&Think Form**
- 3) A phone call home
- 4) Office referral and parent conference with Ms. Paywa, Vice Principal.

TECHNOLOGY



- ❖ **A GMAIL account is HIGHLY ENCOURAGED** – You may set this up on your own. Visit my website to set up your gmail account today.
- ❖ Every student will have the opportunity to learn keyboarding, presentation building and research skills via the internet. Additionally, Gmail will be used to access and submit assignments directly to my virtual in-box.
- ❖ **CELL PHONES, AIRPODS and the such are STRONGLY DISCOURAGED in my classroom.** It is school policy that ALL devices remain in their backpacks.
- ❖ In the event that a student is in possession of ANY device, it will be confiscated and taken to the front office. See Student Handbook for further consequence descriptors.

OTHER INFORMATION

- At the start of class, please grab your reading/writing materials and laptop.
- We will follow the school tardy policy as well as the bathroom policy regarding 2 passes per class.
- Keep your learning area clean and orderly. Return ALL resources to their appropriate places in the classroom.
- Tutoring services are provided for additional time on assignments and/or tutoring in Study Hall.
- If you need ANY additional help – always feel free to drop by during my 4th hour prep time. Please make arrangements ahead of time.
- State Testing takes place 3 times a year.