

ENGLISH II

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Ways to Communicate

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Supplies

Turn in to Teacher

- Notebook paper
- Sticky notes
- Printer Paper
- Kleenex

Bring to Class Everyday

- Composition notebook
- Pens
- Pencils
- Highlighters
- Binder or folder to keep class materials
- Chromebook
- Notebook
- Headphones
- Glue(liquid or stick)

Expectations

1. **Be present. Be ready.** You need to be in your seat and working when the bell rings or you will be tardy. This also means being *mentally* present & doing your utmost to avoid distractions.
2. **Be responsible.** Bring work that's due & everything you'll need. You are in charge of yourself and your assignments. You are expected to keep up with any work you miss due to an absence. Assignments/projects are due at the beginning of class on the due date. Late work (including tests & projects) will receive a 70 the first day, a 50 the third day, and a 0 after that.
3. **Be honest.** You are expected to complete your own work. You are expected to cite your sources when necessary. I have a zero tolerance policy for cheating and plagiarism. Either action will result in an automatic zero and potentially disciplinary action.
4. **Be respectful.** You are expected to be courteous & respectful to all students, teachers, & guests.
5. **Be you.** *"Do the best you can until you know better. Then, when you know better, do better."* -Maya Angelou

HHS English Department Grading Categories **Grades**

60%

40%

10%

Tests, Paper, & Projects

Classwork/ Homework

Academic Readiness

Tutorials

Mondays & Wednesdays

Morning.....7:30-8:00

Afternoon.....3:45-4:15

Course Description

Coursework is designed to facilitate mastery of the TEKS Standards and to help you become a better reader, writer, speaker, and thinker. Along the way, we'll study a variety of topics with a special focus on Rhetoric. We will also spend time developing a Growth Mindset.

Absences

Students are responsible for getting any missed notes or assignments given during an absence.

If you know you will be absent, please let me know and collect your work *beforehand*.

Check and use Google Classroom & email to keep up with classwork in real-time. Hard-copy work can be provided before/after absence.

Students will receive one day for every day they are absent to turn work in.

If you suffer an **extended illness**, contact me to discuss a schedule for you to turn in your work.

Silent Sustained Reading

Students will need to bring their SSR book with them to every class every day.

No reading logs will be collected, but I will meet with each student every grading cycle to complete a "book talk"

"Book Talks" are a **TEST GRADE** and **must** be completed before the end of the grading cycle. Failure to complete a "Book Talk" results in a zero.

The goal of SSR is to increase reading literacy, fluency, vocabulary and stamina.

Students should read 10-20 minutes every day/night.

Class Library

1. Abide by check out and check in procedures
2. You will choose a book that is deemed appropriate by you and your parents.
3. You will store the book appropriately when not engaged in reading.
4. You will finance in damaged or lost books before the end of the semester.

Google Classroom

Google Classroom is an educational dashboard used to streamline coursework to and from students. Students may access it from *any* device with internet access.

Some assignments will be completed and turned in on Google Classroom while others will be solely on paper in class.

Test Retakes and Corrections

If needed, tests can be corrected and/or retaken. Testing retakes will take place **before** or **after** school with me. Test corrections will take place outside of class time.

Retakes will completely replace the test grade while corrections will provide the student with the opportunity to receive up to half credit back.

Students must notify me and make an arrangement to retake or correct a test.

Retakes: The students will demonstrate their understanding of the concepts covered on the original exam in **a different format** as determined by me at that time.

Corrections: The students will demonstrate their understanding of the concepts covered on the exam by finding the correct answer and explaining Why their answer was incorrect and Why this answer is correct. If you have read to this point in the syllabus, send me a an email with a picture of your favorite animal.

Disciplinary Actions

- Additional Assignments
- D-Hall (during lunch)
- Office Referral
- Removal from Class
- Parent Letter/Conference
- OTI (Opportunity to Improve)