

English III Period 7

Course Description:

In English III, students will explore literature and grammar through various instructional activities. I expect each student to show up to class eager and ready to learn. English III focuses on writing, reading, speaking, and listening.

Policies and Procedures:

Required Materials:

- Notebook for Journaling
- Independent Reading Material

Classroom Expectations:

- Be Prepared
- Be Positive
- Be Productive
- Be Polite

Grading Policy:

The grading scale will be as follows:

A	93-100 %
B	86-92 %
C	78-85 %
D	70-77 %
N/C	Below 69 %

Daily Work and Quiz Grades will include:

- Homework
- Quotes
- IXL assignments
- Writer's Notebooks
- Short Essay Reflections
- Rough Drafts / Writing Workshops
- Quizzes

Summative Assessments will include:

- Tests
- Papers / Essays
- Projects

Grade Breakdown:

Grades will be weighted as follows:

Summative	60%
Quiz	30%
Daily Work	10%

Class Participation:

All interactions in class will be civil, respectful, and supportive of an inclusive learning environment; every student has a voice in this classroom. Group work and class discussions are vital to an English classroom; therefore, students will be expected to participate.

Attendance Policy:

Because English is rich in discussion, it is important that students make it to class everyday, or they will be missing important information we are learning.

When a student misses a class for whatever reason, they will need to check-in with the teacher to collect any assignments, handouts, or notes missed from day(s) they were gone. If students know they are going to be gone, it is their responsibility to come in and get any assignments, notes, handouts, etc. they will be missing PRIOR to being gone.

Tardies: When the tardy bell rings, students will be expected to be in their seats ready for class to start. If a student is not in the classroom when the bell rings, they will be considered tardy. If tardies become a recurring problem, students will be expected to make up time after school.

Technology Policy:

Chromebooks: Chromebooks are to be charged and ready to use upon arrival to class.

Cell Phone Usage: Cell phones are to remain in your lockers. Cell phones used/seen in class will be confiscated by the teacher and turned into the office (see student handbook for further information).

Smart Watches: Smart watches will be removed for all tests and quizzes.

Cheating / Plagiarism:

Plagiarism and cheating will not be tolerated. Students will be asked to redo the assignment or will be given a 0% on the assignment depending on the circumstance. If a student is caught plagiarizing or cheating, parents and the administration will be notified. The student will also have to conference with the teacher and discuss why they made the choice they did. The student must make a plan for how he/she plans to do better in the future and how they plan to make that happen.

Late / Missing Assignments:

Students will be expected to turn in homework on time; however, I realize that students will sometimes forget to do their homework, or need more time to get it done.

If a student comes to class without having an assignment, they will need to fill out a “Late Work Form.” Students will hand in the assignment and form together to be graded for full credit; however, if late assignments become a recurring problem, students may receive only partial credit depending on the situation.

Until students hand in the missing assignment, they will receive an “incomplete” and a 0% will be entered into the gradebook until the assignment is handed in to grade.

The cut-off point for turning in late assignments will be **at the end of the unit the assignment was assigned in**. After the cut-off, students will receive a FINAL grade of 0% for any missing assignment(s) not turned in.

As for summative work (essays/projects), if a student is past the due date of turning in a paper, project, or presentation, it will still be accepted, though the student will receive a late deduction of 5% each day late.

Test Retakes:

Students are allowed ONE retake per QUARTER. Students will have exactly ONE WEEK from the date the test is reviewed by the class to retake. The highest of the two grades will be the grade recorded.

Absent: If you are gone the day of the test for an illness / not a school activity or known absence, you will have TWO DAYS to make-up the test. After the two days are up, you will receive a 0%.

(please detach the following and return to Miss Ripp by **MONDAY, AUGUST 16th**)

English III Classroom Expectations Agreement:

Student Name (Please Print): _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Information:

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: _____