*Book and Film* **COURSE EXPECTATIONS**

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**This is a reading intensive class. Expect a *fast paced* reading schedule.**

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The book was better than the movie. Ever heard someone say this and questioned on what basis such a judgment is being made? Through a marriage of novel reading and film viewing we will be able to critique aspects of a screenplay as they apply to the novel. Students will be required to demonstrate their understanding and interpretation through various forms of written, oral, and other methods of communication as directed by the instructor. Since films will be viewed in class, attendance in class will have an effect upon one’s ability to complete assigned tasks. In other words, this class will be difficult to pass if student is not here. I do not have extra copies of the films that will be studied and many of them cannot be found quickly since they are not new to the film rental market. A student who struggles with absenteeism will struggle in this class.

**Supplies Needed:** one spiral notebook, pen and pencil…

**Grading Policy:** Quizzes based on independent reading assignments will comprise the majority of your grade. Also, short homework assignments and projects will be weighted each quarter for a final grade. Each quarter is worth 40% of the final grade. The final exam is worth 20% of the final grade.

**Late Assignments:**

1. There will be a penalty of TEN points per school day (not class day) for three days.
2. After the third day, the paper will no longer be accepted, and an automatic zero will be given. Any work missed as a result of absence MUST be mad up within three days. This is the personal responsibility of the student. (If you were present on the day an essay was assigned but absent on the due date, the essay will be expected on the day you return regardless of whether or not it’s a class day.) If you are in attendance for any portion of the day on which an essay is due, the paper will be considered late unless it is submitted on that day.

**Extra Credit Work**: No extra credit work will be accepted unless **all** required work has been completed satisfactorily.

**Make-up Policy:** When absent, every effort must be made to find out what was done in class and what work is due BEFORE COMING TO CLASS. If the student is absent the day of a test or a quiz, the test must be taken within two school days of returning.

**Behavioral Expectations:**

1. Report to class on time. School policy will be followed. The agenda will be signed two times within a month. Each time after that the student will be assigned detention.
2. Be punctual.
3. Treat all individuals with respect.
4. Show respect for school and personal property.
5. Rudeness (in the form of inattentiveness, interruptions, foul language, etc.) will not be tolerated.
6. In the event of a substitute, follow all classroom rules and be respectful.
7. Cell phones are NOT allowed to be used during class

**Teacher Availability:** The teacher will be available during advisement period; however, because the teacher coaches in the fall, after-school availability will be limited. After-school time can be worked out ahead of time between the teacher and student. **Parents can reach any teacher either by school phone (992-3600) or by the e-mails listed above.**

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I have read and understand the course expectations and policies for *Book and Film*. **I also recognize this is a senior/junior elective and I (the parent/student) will initiate calls and conversations with the teacher should I have concerns.**

**Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

# Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

As the instructor, I do reserve the right to change to a different film if I feel syllabus warrants such an action. Students will be notified if this is to happen in plenty of time to adjust reading schedule.

THE PLEDGE:   I shall strive to create a positive supportive learning environment and educational experience for all students and pledge to respect each of my students as a unique person, not a test score.