



**7th Grade English
2026 - 2027
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Course Description:

The seventh-grade English class is designed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of language arts and historical knowledge. The course integrates critical thinking, reading, writing, research, and analysis skills in both subjects. Students will explore various literary genres, historical events, and societal developments to foster a deeper appreciation for language, literature, and the world around them.

Required Resources:

- Student Planner
- Textbooks
- Chromebook

Recommended Materials:

- Pencils
- Highlighters
- Notebook

Tardy Policy:

If you are not inside the class when the tardy bell rings, **YOU ARE LATE.**

Tardy 1-4 - Teacher conference with the student

Tardy 5 - Teacher contact with parent--email/phone call--**MUST** be documented in Aeries.

Tardy 6 - Teacher Referral to Counselor.

Bathroom Policy:

You are not allowed to leave class for any reason during the first or last 10 minutes of class. You must use a Pass in order to leave class for any reason.

Electronics Policy:

Cell phones and earbuds/headphones must be silenced and out of sight. You will be asked to remove beanies, hoods, or anything that is covering your ears during class. Cell phones are not allowed out in class for any reason. Parents will be notified if students are using a cell phone in class and consistent use will result in an office referral and further disciplinary actions.

Class Expectations:

1. Come to class ready to learn (with supplies and a growth mindset).
2. Stay in your seat at **ALL** times (for everyone's safety).
3. Raise your hand to speak and wait to be called on (we all want to hear what we all have to say).

4. Be respectful of your peers, the teacher, and the classroom (be nice, be polite, be clean).
5. Keep food and drinks in your backpack (no one likes cockroaches).

Attendance Policy:

If you are absent, you are responsible for completing any assignments missed during your absence. Chronic absences will warrant a phone call home and office intervention.

Google Classroom:

Most assignments and other information will be posted on Google Classroom for students and parents to see during and outside of class. Paper assignments are collected in class.

Homework: There will not be daily homework assignments. However, students that do not complete work in class will be expected to do so at home on their own time. Some assignments and projects will require students to work on them longer than the time allotted in class.

Plagiarism:

Plagiarism is when you use someone else's ideas and or words without giving credit to the source. Plagiarism is cheating, and will not be allowed. If I **suspect** that your work is plagiarized, you will receive a zero and a phone call home. This includes any use of artificial intelligence.

Grading Categories:

Assessments - (Essays, Unit Quiz, Pop Quiz, Unit Tests, Final)

Classwork- (Bellwork, Quill, NoRedInk, Planner Checks)

Participation - (Extra Credit, Class Discussions)

Parents/Guardians,

Please sign and return to confirm that you have read the syllabus. If you have any questions or concerns regarding any of the above-mentioned policies and or expectations, please send me an email so that we can schedule a time to discuss them. A copy of the syllabus is on Google Classroom.

Student's Name	Date
Print Parent's Name	Date
Parent's Signature	Date