

Course: 8th grade English

Instructor: Tammy Bishop

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Description of course: This will be an English survey course that covers basic Grammar, Literature, and Writing. For our Literature and Writing components we will be reading several works and discussing literary elements found within the piece. We will be responding to the work through written assignments. It will be of utmost importance for students to keep up with the assigned reading for the class. Sparknotes and movie versions will not suffice. Our goal is to develop our ability to read critically and respond thoughtfully and insightfully. I will strive to help students make the connection between what they are reading and the world they live in today.

Teacher's expectations:

1. Be ready
2. Be respectful
3. Be responsible

The FCS honor code is your ultimate guide.

Lesson Plans & Assignments:

- All lesson plans and assignments will be posted on MySchoolWorx.
- We will have 3 categories of assignments:
 - Basic 20% - Daily work & participation activities
 - Building 30% - Individual assignments & quizzes
 - Top Tier 50% - Tests & Projects & Papers

Make-up work: It is the student's responsibility to find out about any missed assignments/quizzes they missed while they were absent. Students have 1 week to turn in any assignment that was missed. If that assignment is not turned in within a one-week period, the student will receive a 0 for that assignment/test. This policy will be adjusted to follow our COVID-19 policies based on what is happening with individual students/school.

Teacher Communication: Please send any communication through MySchoolWorx. I will check that throughout the day. I will also use that platform to communicate with you and with students. Please do not use text messages as a form of communication regarding assignments or class questions.

Supplies:

Binder

College Ruled Paper

2 dividers

1 pocket folder with holes

Pencil

Blue or Black pen

Red or Green pen Highlighters

Notecards (Pencil bag in binder or box for notecards)

A Note from Mrs. Tammy: I am looking forward to this class! We have a great group of students and I am looking forward to walking through interesting and classic literature with our students this year. I am hopeful that we will be able to continue this year in the classroom, however if we are at any point forced to go virtual, it will be my goal to keep our class as seamless as possible. I have been a teacher for over 15 years and it will be my goal to equip our students so that they are prepared academically to move to the next season. However, I am passionate about young people being equipped in their relationship with the Lord. I am praying for you and your student. I am here for you and your student. I believe that God has great plans for each of our students and I hope and pray that this year will be a great step forward in their journey. - Mrs. Tammy

Parents and Students, Please sign below to confirm that you have read and understand the syllabus. The syllabus will be kept in the front of the student's binder.

Student Signature _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature _____ Date: _____