

# 8<sup>th</sup> grade Reading SYLLABUS

Mrs. Gramlich



**Course Title:** Intensive Reading

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**Novels:** *The Outsiders* & *The Boys in the Boat*

**Materials Needed:** (1) 3 ring binder, **pencils**, pens, 1 pack 3x5 index cards (These are provided)

**Course Description:** The purpose of this course is to use the reading process to construct meaning from a wide range of literary, informational, and technical texts. The course will also apply reading comprehension strategies and increase academic vocabulary through the reading of both fiction and non-fiction texts. Students also will be provided with academic support to improve reading abilities.

## Grading Categories and Weights:

<u>Category Weights</u>	<u>Weights</u>
Assessments	40%
Class Work	25%
Quizzes	25%
Prep Work/ Participation	10%

**Expectations:** Edward W. Bok Academy is a school of high academic rigor. Students are expected to work for the entire class period every day. When students enter the classroom, they are expected to enter quietly, get folder from your class period's designated shelf, and begin the bell work immediately. Pencils must be sharpened before class begins. Any borrowing of pencils, from either the teacher or other students, must be completed before the bell rings, as students will begin working immediately upon entering the classroom. Because there is no restroom in our classroom please make every effort to use the restroom in another class period. Students will not leave class for water; bring your own water bottle, or wait until class is over.

**Attendance:** **Regular attendance is vital.** If a student is absent, it is the student's responsibility to make up their work. Check the make up work drawer located in the back of the classroom. Students will have 2 days per day missed to turn in make up work. If you miss class, get with Mrs. Gramlich before or after class and discuss what you missed.

**Grades:** Grades will be posted in Schoology at the end of each week for students to check their grades. Families may contact the front office to obtain Schoology access. This allows the students and families to keep up with grades online and view the most recent grades within Schoology.

There will be a school wide policy pertaining to the “cut off” date to submit late and/or missing work. Late work will no longer be accepted after the school wide “cut off” date.

**Late Work Policy Highest Grade:**

**1 day =1 letter grade 2 days = 2 letter grades, 3 days = 3 letter grades after that = 0%**

**Extreme Cases:** Contact me ASAP.

**NOT Extreme Cases:** *forgetfulness, too much prep-work, soccer game, backpack in relative’s car, etc.*

**Tardiness:**

- Tardy students are **unexcused** unless they have a pass from a staff member.
- Students will receive a **Minor Infraction** for excessive tardiness.

**Reading Plus:** Reading Plus is a program that will be implemented throughout this school year. There will be weekly lessons assigned. Students will receive reading and vocabulary practice. Weekly grades will be taken from these assignments, so participation is required .

**Student Responsibilities:**

- Come to class prepared.
- Write in planner daily.
- Participate & ENGAGE in classroom experience.
- Turn in all assignments ON TIME.
- Study for tests/quizzes.
- Use time in class effectively.
- Complete Assigned Reading Plus Assignments

**Parent Responsibilities: Check the planner consistently please.**

- Students will write in planner for prep work assignments.
- IF there is no prep work, then “no prep work” should be written in the planner by the student.
- Work is due the **NEXT DAY** unless otherwise noted.

**READING:**

- Students will be expected to do INDEPENDENT READING outside of class.
- Books should have numbered chapters and 80+ pages

**Academic Honesty:** Students must observe standards of academic honesty and integrity. Violation will result in disciplinary action and student will receive a 0 for a grade on that assignment. Refer to Code of Conduct for more information.

**Tutoring/Help Needed:** Students may arrange (with me) time for tutoring during lunch. I have read and understand the requirements in this syllabus. I will do my best to follow the guidelines throughout the year.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_