MRS. SEGLER’S 7TH GRADE ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 2021-2022 [lsegler@mcpss.com](mailto:lsegler@mcpss.com)

CONTACTING ME: WELCOME! My office hours are typically during my school day planning period for 50 minutes. I will respond to emails or phone calls during my planning when time permits. I do not bring my work home with me-that includes grading or returning messages. Before 7am and After 3pm is my personal time.

COURSE DESCRIPTION : Seventh grade English Language Arts is the study of skills in reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Students will develop comprehension and communication skills. Students will develop reading strategies that they will be required to apply during independent and classroom reading. Students will use the writing process to communicate effectively and efficiently.

GRADING SCALE: A=100-90% B=89-80% C=79-70% E=69% & below Assessments and projects are considered “Major Grades” and make up 60% of student average. Homework and classwork are “Minor Grades” and make up 40%.

RETEACH/RETEST POLICY: Students scoring below 60% on a “Major Grade” assignment will be retested (only one time). The original grade will be replaced by the retest grade but retest grade **will not** exceed 70%. EQTs will not be retested.

MAKE-UP WORK: It is the student’s responsibility to check our class webpage for assignments and make-up work upon returning from an absence. Alternative assignments may be given.

DENTON MAGNET LATE WORK POLICY: Assignments and postings submitted after the due date will receive a 10% grade deduction per day. In other words, assignments which would have been rated A+ will be graded as A-, or instead of 100%, the grade will be 90%. Work submitted two days past the original due date will be graded as a B-, or instead of 100%, the grade will be 80%. Work submitted three days past the original due date will be graded as a C-, or instead of 100%, the grade will be 70%. Work submitted after three days past the original due date will not be accepted and will receive a zero.

EXTRA CREDIT: No extra credit is available for this class. However, if a student needs additional help, please be sure to schedule a time to meet with me. I am here to help my students succeed.

SUPPLIES: Students must be prepared for class. Students should bring a device (laptop is best), pen or pencil and paper to every class. Other suggested supplies include: Pencil sharpener, color pencils or markers.

BYOD: Denton Magnet School is a Bring Your Own Device school. This means that technology will be implemented in the classroom during delivery of instruction, group work, independent work, and homework. Students should bring a wifi enabled device to each class. **Students are not allowed to use devices until specifically prompted by the classroom teacher.** Devices should remain in the off or silent position unless being used for classroom instruction.

CLASSROOM RULES: -Stay seated until specifically prompted by teacher to move (Students are to go to the restroom between classes. Once class has begun, students will not be excused except in case of emergency. -Students will be prepared for class (bring materials and a willingness to learn). -Students will respect the teacher, their classmates, classroom, & supplies.

CONSEQUENCES: -Verbal warning -Student/teacher conference -Parent phone call -Referral to office

HOMEWORK: Homework will take many forms and is designed to help with student understanding of the current objectives being studied. Homework will typically be in the form of finishing work not completed in class or gaining background knowledge for the next class/objective.

**Computer access and an internet connection will be required to complete some homework assignments. If not available, please discuss other arrangements with me as soon a s possible.**

ZERO TOLERANCE PLAGIARISM POLICY Quoting a direct source without citation is plagiarism. (In other words, if a student uses the work of someone else without crediting the source (including copying and pasting), THEY WILL RECEIVE A ZERO with no re-do.)

**Suspected plagiarism will be investigated and if confirmed WILL result in a zero for the assignment.**

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I have read and understood Mrs. Segler’s 7th grade ELA syllabus, including classroom rules and consequences.

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Comments, questions, or concerns?

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