

# Grade 7 ELA

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### ***Course Content:***

ELA 7 builds upon the skills learned in ELA 6 with even more emphasis on academic writing and literary analysis. Students will analyze characters, & theme for many genres of reading, writing and speaking. We will research and communicate our findings in a variety of ways. Students will continue to use reading strategies to improve their comprehension and analysis of texts. We will work on improving vocabulary, speaking, research, media literacy & writing skills, as well as continue our participation in the district independent reading program.

### ***Supplies:***

Students need their ELA binder, paper, writing utensil, **independent reading book**, and class text (when necessary) for class each day. Students are expected to be on time, prepared for and actively participating in class each day, while respecting all others in the room.

### ***Homework:***

Students will have homework every week. Periodic vocabulary lists, nightly reading for independent reading, as well as assignments from the current unit of study (worksheets, writing &/or reading assignments, etc). Constructive use of in class work time will be key in minimizing homework for assignments and projects. All assignments are expected to be complete, quality work and turned in on time. Most assignments will be accepted late, but must be completed prior to final unit assessments. Students who show a pattern of missing work will be referred to the office for a school intervention. Late work must be completed prior to final unit assessments.

### ***Grading:***

The gradebook will be organized by standard. Students will see scores on assesments as work is collected and graded. Grades will be recorded for each standard weekly as to communicate progress towards mastery. Some assessments can be “re-taken” after students have completed the required re-teaching activities. Families should be checking grades on AHConnect regularly, as the grade book is live and “real time” updated. Students receive periodic individual grade printouts as well as mid-trimester and trimester grade reports. Please see the AMSA calendar for report card dates.

**Rubric score equivalents are: 4= 95-100%, 3=85%, 2=75%, 1=55%**

Feel free to contact me at any time. Please sign and have your student return the bottom of this slip (so I know you have received this information). Please be sure that your contact information is up to date in the school database. I use those contacts for individual emails as well group communications about major units and classroom activities.

I look forward to a great year

Thank you.

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## Syllabus Information-- ELA 7

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