English Disclosure Document

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*English classes will be built on the principles found in the New Utah Core. These will include activities designed to sharpen critical thinking, text analysis, formulation of arguments, and collaborative skills. Students will be expected to do considerable independent reading and to focus on improving their writing skills.*

*Instructional units will encompass nonfiction, historical fiction, short stories, poetry, and novels, with instruction on grammar, writing, and research.*

READING REQUIREMENTS:

* + Silent Reading Time: Students are expected to bring a reading book of their own choice to class for this daily reading time.
  + Reading Homework: Students are expected to read books of their own choosing—both fiction and nonfiction, and report on them as directed by the teacher. They should read at home daily.
    - * 7th grade—5 books
      * 8th grade—7 books

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MATERIALS NEEDED**:** Each student will need to bring to class:

(1) Pens/Pencils and lined paper for daily work

(2) A reading book for silent reading time.

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ASSIGNMENTS:

Most daily assignments will be completed in class. However, students not completing the daily assignments in class may complete it at home and bring it back the next day.

All work is expected to meet QUALITY WORK STANDARDS:

* On time
* Neat (no smudges or spiral edges)
* Readable
* Formatted correctly as explained in class

REMEMBER: Quality work means your best effort!

TESTS and PROJECTS:

Student learning will be evaluated through reading and writing projects as well as periodic tests and quizzes.

GRADING:

Grades will be built from class learning activities, reading and writing assignments, projects, and tests. The final grade will be based on the percentages shown below:

A = 95-100 C+ = 77-79

A- = 90-94 C = 74-76

C- = 70-73

B+ = 87-89 D+ = 67-69

B = 84-86 D = 64-66

B- = 80-83 D- = 60-63

LATE WORK POLICY:

Work is expected to be high quality and turned in on time. Students turning in late work or work of poor quality may, naturally, expect a lower grade. However, assignments will always be both expected and accepted, and will receive a grade equal to quality and timeliness.

Extra Credit opportunities should not be expected.

CITIZENSHIP:

Students are expected to be courteous, give their best effort, and follow class rules.

ATTENDANCE, DRESS CODE, TARDINESS, AND TRUANCY:

The school attendance, dress code, tardy, and truancy policies will be followed. Please refer to school policy as outlined in the Jaguar Journal for complete information.