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CourseTimeline

Over the course of the first semester, we will be working on:

The writing process, writing an informative essay, argumentation and an argumentative essay, analysis of mood and tone, source material effectiveness, point of view and purpose, and more.

Over the course of the second semester, we will be working on:

Writing a narrative essay, research, rhetoric and claims/counterclaims, sources and evidence, a research essay, essay topic

generation, objective summaries, main idea, theme, characterization, and more.

Grading Policy and Academic Integrity

Final **grade percentages** will result in the following letter grades:

 $A \rightarrow 90-100$ $B \rightarrow 80-89$ $C \rightarrow 70-79$ $D \rightarrow 60-69$ $F \rightarrow 0-59$

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Electronic devices should be silenced and put away. Devices should not be out during class unless otherwise instructed.

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away. Upon second and subsequent offenses, the student will lose points from his or her weekly participation grade. If at any point a student's phone use becomes a daily issue, he or she will receive a referral and parents will be contacted.

Consequences

Disciplinary action for rule breaking: 1st offense: Verbal Warning 2nd offense: Lunch detention or ACE 3rd offense: Office referral Any severely disruptive behavior will warrant an automatic referral

Positive Consequences: Verbal praise, calls or emails home

Attendance and Tardy

Policy It is the student's responsibility to make up any missing notes, classwork, or homework when

they are absent. Missing work will be due 24 hours from when it is assigned.

Once 10 absences are obtained, the student will be put under "NG" status regardless of whether the absences are verified or not. A written appeal will need to be submitted.

Tardies accumulate per semester, per course. The first tardy will result in a warning. The second through the fourth tardy will warrant a lunch detention. At the fifth tardy, the student will begin receiving office referrals. **Upon the tenth tardy, the student will be dropped from the class with an F.** Students will be marked tardy if they are not in class

Restroom Policy

when the bell rings.

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Students will receive three bathroom passes per quarter. Once students have used all three of their bathroom passes, they will no longer be able to use the restroom during class time until the next quarter.

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Students must complete the bell work every day unless they are absent. Students may write "absent" in place of bell work on the day(s) they miss, and I will confirm their absence. If students are dishonest about their absences, they will receive a 0 for the entire week of bell work.

Each bell work prompt will be worth a total of five points-- 1 point for the date, 2 points for meeting the line requirement, and 2 points for content.

Homework, assignments, and late work Assignments will

be due at the beginning of class. I will assign due dates far in advance for lengthy assignments, such as papers and projects, so there will be adequate time to prepare and submit these assignments.

Late policy for homework:

1-5 days late- 50% off the grade

Late policy for papers & projects:

- 1 day late- 20% off the grade 2 days late- 30% off the grade
- 3 days late- 40% off the grade
- 4 days late- 50% off the grade

After 4 days, no credit will be awarded.

Mustang Power Hour



Office hours schedule:

Gold (11:25-11:50)

Math Social Studies CTE Blue (11:50-12:15)

ELA/Foreign Languages Science Fine Arts PE

Student Responsibilities:

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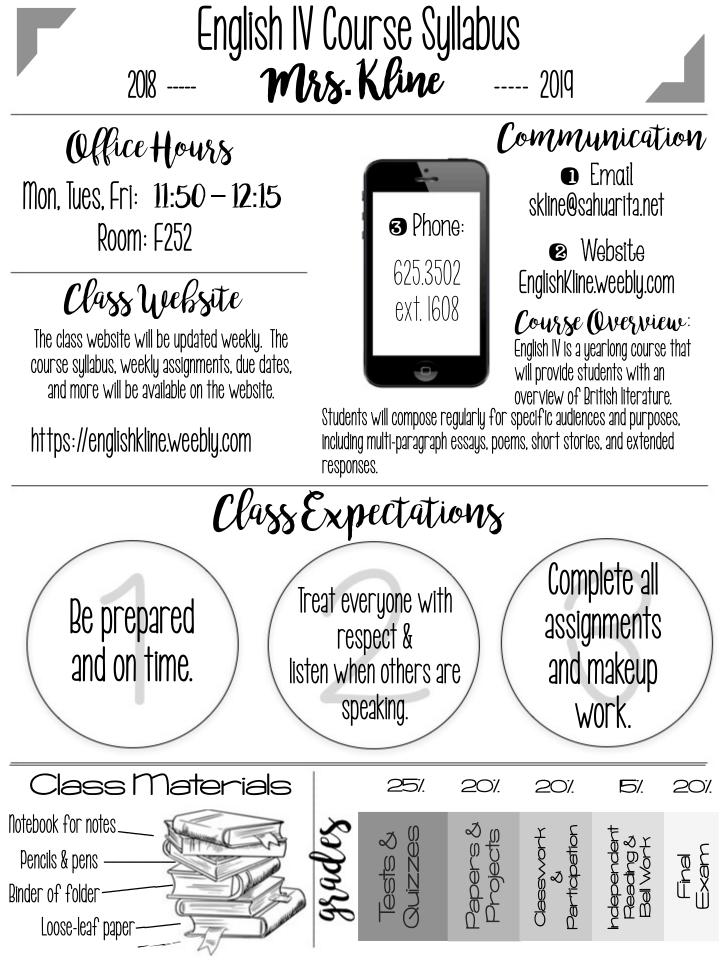
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2nd strike: letter sent home to be signed by parent, lunch detention 3rd strike: letter sent home to be signed by parent, after school detention 4th strike: letter sent home, ACE or administrative MPH

Hallway and building expectations:

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First semester: use textual evidence to support analysis, analyze central ideas in a text, write valid and supported arguments, write a research paper, and analyze sonnets

Second semester: analyze and evaluate arguments, literary analysis of a Shakespearean play, determine an author's point of view, analyze elements of satire and parody, literature circles, and personal statements.

Independent Reading, or IR, will be a yearlong assignment. Students will need to select a grade appropriate IR book, and read each week. Every two weeks, students will have an IR assignment due.

Please see the IR handout for more information.

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