

Language Arts III
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Welcome

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year and the G Team! We have a new curriculum and textbook for English language arts. Our class will be engaged in studying reading, communications, and vocabulary through the lens of the new Florida B.E.S.T. Standards. All texts and assignments will center around a theme. The curriculum includes five themes this year, starting with "Everyone Loves a Mystery," narrative writing, "Present and Past Analysis," and argumentative writing.

My Learning

All grades are posted on myStudent. Assignments, daily agendas, assessments, etc. are all on our Canvas course, myLearning. Please check these regularly. In the event of absence, illness or quarantine, these are wonderful tools for students and parents to keep informed about what is happening in class, to complete assignments, and to monitor how well their students are performing. Extra credit is not allowed by our district, but I will continue to post opportunities to participate in community contests and activities.

Objections

The Board recognizes that a course of study or certain instructional materials may contain content and/or activities that some parents find objectionable. If after careful, personal review of the program lessons and/or materials, a parent indicates to the school that either the content or the activity conflicts with his religious beliefs or value system, the school will consider a written request for his child to be excused from a particular class for specified reasons. The student, however, will not be excused from participating in the course and will be provided alternate learning activities during times of such parent requested absences.

Reading

I encourage all students to challenge themselves to increase the amount of time they spend reading. Each student must read a minimum of 100 minutes per week at home. Students will participate in quarterly novel studies related to the themes. Students are encouraged to obtain their own copy should they choose to annotate directly in the book. In place of purchasing, students may also download many books for free. Donations of the class novel are always very appreciated.



Supplies

The supplies students need to be successful include: a 1" binder with 5 dividers and loose leaf paper, pens, colored pencils or markers, highlighter, glue stick, scissors, a mini stapler, folder, and a book for reading enjoyment. We do use electronic devices in class frequently, so students are encouraged to bring them to class, if possible. If you are permitting your child to bring a device to CSRMS, please complete and sign the B.Y.O.D policy.

Late Work

I assign very little homework. If students have homework, it is completing classwork or independent study. It is so important to develop strong study skills now. Therefore, no late homework or journals will be accepted for full credit, except in cases of excused absences or extenuating circumstances. Late work will be accepted but penalized 10% until we begin working on the next theme.

I look forward to a productive and creative year. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, concerns, or comments.