# Harris County Carver Middle School

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# Seventh Grade English/ Language Arts/Reading

### **Course Overview**

Seventh grade Language Arts focuses on grammar, vocabulary, writing, and literature. The curriculum covers all strands of the Georgia Standards of Excellence(GSE) such as reading; reading across the curriculum; writing; conventions; and listening, speaking, and viewing. For a more in-depth look at these strands, please visit this website: www.georgiastandards.org/Common-Core/Documents/7thELACCGPS.pdf.

First Nine Weeks	Second Nine Weeks
Constructed Response Strategy	-Theme-Relationship among individuals,
- <u>Georgia Collections</u>	societies, and communities
-Sentence Structure	- <u>The Giver</u> by Lois Lowry
-Close Reading	-Thematic short texts
-Annotations	-Argumentative Writing
-Narrative Writing	-Symbolism
-Citing textual evidence	-Analyzing and annotating varieties of text
Third Nine Weeks -Constructed Response Strategy - <u>Georgia Collections</u> -Inference/ Context Clues -Independent/ Dependent Clauses -Figurative Language	Fourth Nine Weeks -Georgia Collections -Thematic short texts -Expository Writing -Analyzing and annotating varieties of text

#### **Units of Instruction**

# **Textbooks and Materials**

- Pen and Pencil: These must be brought to class daily. The pen must be either standard blue or black ink.
- The textbook for the 2016-2017 school year will be *Georgia Collections* by Houghton, Mifflin, & Harcourt.
- HCCMS will issue novels throughout the school year.
- Three-ring binder with paper.

# Make-up Work Guidelines

The school policy concerning make-up work will be adhered to as indicated in the <u>HCCMS</u> <u>Student Handbook</u>.

# **Grading Policy**

Class work – 50%, Homework – 10%, Tests and quizzes – 25%, Final Exam – 15%,

# **Contact Information**

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I hereby confirm that I have read and understand the above guidelines and consequences. I agree to abide by these limits. I also agree that should I not abide by the limits, the teacher has the right to enforce the school disciplinary policy.

Student signature	Date

Parent/Guardian signature	Date
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