**Mrs. Goetting’s**

**Classroom Rules**

**Rm 1097**

**ENGLISH**

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**Classroom Rules:**

* Respect must be upheld at all times.
* Homework is collected at the START of class. All homework turned in after WILL BE considered LATE. NO EXCEPTIONS.
* If you are absent, YOU are responsible for obtaining the missed work.
* Come to class prepared… homework, book, paper, pen/pencil, etc… (Your grade will be docked through Tiger Pride points for being unprepared.)
* Students are expected to come to class on time (before the bell.) After 3 tardies, student will be given a lunch detention.
* Passes are given AFTER lecture and homework have been assigned. Do not ask prior to…
* Food, gum, and drinks are NOT allowed during class unless provided by the teacher.
* The rules outlined in your school handbook are to be followed at all times. I will strictly uphold these rules.

**Grading Scale:**

100 - 90 = A 69 – 60 = D

89 - 80 = B 59 – below = F

79 – 70 = C

**Attendance and Homework:**

The student’s final grade will be determined by considering the following:

* Attendance
* Homework
* Tests/ Quizzes
* Class Participation & Preparedness (Tiger Pride Qualities)

GRAMMAR: Grades will be based on tests, compositions (including 2 book reports), homework, quizzes, and class participation.

LITERATURE: Grades will be based on tests, essays, homework, reading assignments, quizzes, and class participation/preparedness.

JOURNALISM: Grades will be based on in class assignments, satisfactory newspaper duties, class participation/ preparedness, and tests/quizzes.

**Class Work Make-up Policy:**

(The following pertains ONLY to an EXCUSED ABSENCE…)

Homework:

It is YOUR (the student) responsibility to find out any assignments that were missed on the day you were absent. (This includes school-related absences.) You will find missed assignments in the absentee binder. You have ONE day for every day missed to turn in the missed assignments**. \*Work MUST be made up by FRIDAY of the same week of the absence. If you were absent on a Friday, your work is due the following Monday**. \*

Tests:

If absent the day before the test/quiz, you WILL be expected to take the test/quiz as scheduled. **\*Any exception must be arranged with me PRIOR to the start of class that day.** Any missed exam/test/quiz must be made up by Friday of the same week or the grade will be a ZERO. If absent on a Friday, test must be made up the following Monday. **\*Make-up tests are taken before or after school, and by appointment only. TESTS WILL NOT BE MADE UP DURING CLASS TIME.**

\*ALL make-up work MUST be turned in before the last day of the nine week grading period. If a student fails to turn in missed work within this allotted time, the grade for that work will be an automatic ZERO.

**Papers/Book Reports:**

Compositions **will be** accepted late. **Each** day the composition is late you will be docked **ONE letter grade**. Only students with an excused absence will be allowed to turn in their compositions the day they return. If the student is at school the day the paper is due, then he/she is expected to turn in the paper.

**Hall & Bathroom Passes:**

* Passes are only given AFTER my lecture and the homework have been assigned. You are expected to use the time between bells to take personal breaks.
* You are expected to use YOUR agenda to leave the room.
* Passes will not be given freely. You will have 3 passes per semester. Use yours wisely.

\*\*\* Discipline will be consistent and unbiased. If you find yourself at fault, accept the punishment and do better next time. I enjoy a fun atmosphere, but will **NOT** tolerate disrespect and disturbances. \*\*\*

**Academic Integrity:**

*It is expected that ALL student work is original; homework assignments, projects, reports, papers, tests, and other student work are all included in this expectation. Students should always be mindful to distinguish their own ideas and work from information found in outside sources. The term “sources” includes primary and secondary material published in print or online or any information/opinions gained directly from other people. Students who submit work that is either not their own or without giving credit to the work’s sources will be subjected to disciplinary action defined in the student handbook.* For example, I used Mrs. Taylor’s description of academic integrity. ☺

**What is Plagiarism?**

Definition: *In an instructional setting, plagiarism occurs when a student deliberately uses someone else’s language, ideas, or other original (not common knowledge) material without acknowledging its source.* This definition applies to published texts, online, manuscripts, or the work of other students.

**Cheating/ Plagiarism Examples:**

Academic dishonesty (cheating) is not tolerated. It is punishable by the rules in the student handbook and as deemed by the individual classroom teacher. Academic dishonesty is defined as, but not limited to the following:

* Copying another student’s homework or allowing another student to copy your homework.
* Discussing test questions with another student who has not yet taken the test/quiz or getting test questions from someone who has already taken the test/quiz.
* Turning in someone else’s work from another class, including previous students’ papers, or from another teacher with the same assignment.
* Copying text from any source (internet, book, magazine, etc.) and turning it in as your own. Citations must be included within the text of all researched work.

Copying answers from another’s paper while taking a test/ quiz in class or outside of the class.

* Using an aid (cheat sheet, writing answers on desks or your person, pen/pencil, notebook, or any other written, verbal or non-verbal communication for oneself or another student’s use, talking to another student, using a cell phone or other electronic device to take a picture of or text information to another student, or any other method of receiving answers) while taking a test/quiz or other instructional materials.
* Taking materials from a teacher’s desk, filing cabinet, or other places where classroom materials are stored.

**The result of any behaviors listed above will result in a grade of zero for the assignment. This punishment is applied to all people found involved in the process, and the student(s) will not be allowed to make up the assignment, test, or paper. In addition, the student(s) will be subject to the school’s policy for handling academic dishonesty issues.**

Agreement of Contract:

By signing the lines below, you are saying that you understand and have no further questions about the rules and expectations that you are required to follow throughout this 2013-2014 school year. Breaking any of the rules that have been outlined within this syllabus will result in disciplinary actions. \*Refer to pages 8-10 within the HHS Handbook for further explanation and personal responsibilities.

Note: Once you & your parent have signed below, turn it in! (Worth: 10 pts)

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_