Logan Unified School District USD #326 Middle School Course Syllabus 2016-2017 5th-8th Grade English Language Arts

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Course Description

5th-8th Grade English Language Arts is the study of skills in reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Students will develop comprehension and communication skills. Students will develop reading strategies that they will be required to apply during independent and classroom reading. Students will use the writing process to communicate effectively and efficiently.

Course Standards:

Standards can be found at www.ksde.org
Anchor Standards for Reading RL.5.1-RL.5.10
Anchor Standards for Informational Text RL.5.1-RL.5.10
Anchor Standards for Foundation Skills RF.5.3-RF.5.4
Writing Standards W.5.1-W.5.10
Speaking and Listening Standards SL.5.1-SL.5.6
Language Standards L5.1-L5.6

Materials

6th-8th Grade will use the Pearson Common Core Literature Textbook 5th Grade will use the Pearson Common Core Reading Street Textbook Students will also need to have the proper materials on the school supply list.

Expectations

I expect each and every one of my students to be on time to my classroom with the proper materials. I will not let anyone go back to lockers to grab books, pencils, etc. IPADS will be available every morning and I expect every student to have IPADS with them at the beginning of class and write their assignments down in their planners.

Respect is my number one expectation. Respect the teacher, para, and other students in the classroom. I will not tolerate any disrespect.

The proper materials include pencils, paper, folders, and ipads.

Grading Scale

A+ 98-100%	B+ 86-89%	C+ 76-79%	D+ 66-69%
A 93-97%	B 83-85%	C 73-75%	D 63-65%
A- 90-92%	B-80-82%	C- 70-72%	D- 60-62%
			F 0-59%

Daily Work: 40% Tests/Quizzes: 30%

Projects: 15% Writing Assignments: 15%

Make-up Work

Students are responsible for communicating with their teacher and turning in makeup work when students are absent.

Make-up folders are located under purple bulletin board and assignments will be in the folder daily.

Late Work

Late work will be counted as the following:

1 day-75%

2 days- 50%

3 days- 0%

Dates of assignments will be written down in students planners and on the board daily. Students are responsible for writing assignments in their planners.

Fire/Tornado Drills

Students will leave the room in an orderly fashion. You will follow the teacher to the correct location. Last student out the door will shut off the light and lock the door.

Fire: Down the stairs to the right and out the side door

Tornado: Down the stairs to the right and into the girl's locker room.

Cell Phone Policy

The cell phone policy can be found in the USD 326 Handbook on the school website. The following policy states that the student will leave their phones on their desk at all times. They will not leave the classroom with their phone. If the student does not follow the policy the teacher will take the phone and give it to Mr. Kirkendall. At that time the parent may pick up the phone at the end of the day unless stated differently.

The student may use their phone responsibly when given permission.

I am looking forward to a great successful year! Please feel free to contact me at anytime. My information is below.

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