English 9 Syllabus

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**Subjects we will cover:**

**Reading**

We will be focusing on what we are reading not how much.

 Utilizing Close and Critical Reading skills (talking to the text)

 Structure- which will also connect to our grammar and writing

 Literary devices- which will also connect to our writing

 **The Odyssey**

 **The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet**

 **Night**

**Grammar –**

 **Sentence Structure**

 **Quill Diagnostics and Assignments**

You will have 1 week to complete assigned quill work for a homework grade and another week to correct any work for an assessment grade

**Writing-**

 **Creative Writing**

Greek Monsters

 **Body paragraphs**

 Claims, evidence and support

**Vocabulary-**

Vocabulary from the literature we will be reading

**WCS Writing Performance Task**

**Grading:**

***Grades will have points assigned to them and are either an assessment or homework. According to district policy homework is worth 25% of a student’s grade and assessments are worth 75%. Obviously a 200 point homework assignment will effect a grade more than a 5 point homework assignment.***

***Homework***

 ***Vocabulary.com-*** *grade will be on Mastery not completion*

 ***Quill.org-*** *the first week a set is assigned is graded as homework and for completion.*

***Class work*** *not completed in class*

Students should be checking their Vocabulary.com and Quill.org daily for assignments.

Homework will be posted on the whiteboard, on the website and given orally in class. Points vary based on assignment.

 **Homework is worth 25%**

***Tests***

**Literature-** quizzes to check for comprehension

 **Vocabulary** - based on Vocabulary.com homework sets

**Quill.org**- the second week after a set is assigned the set becomes an assessment grade. Students may retake a set up to 4 times.

 ***Tests are an assessment and worth 75%***

***Projects***

 ***Projects are an assessment grade***

***Extra points***

May be available throughout the semester, this is an opportunity not a right.

 Make sure to check the website and **sign up Remind 101**.

 Reading out loud in class will earn you extra credit.

 Points will be removed for misbehaving and not having your materials.

 Points will be kept on Classdojo and added at the end of a quarter.

 You can keep an eye on your points by checking on Classdojo

***Missed work***

For every day a student has an excused absence they will be given that time to make it up. It is their responsibility to find out what they have missed. **They should do this by checking my assignment calendar online.** In the case of a long term absence parents should request homework from the child’s attendance house and work would be expected on arrival back to school. All assignments and missing work can be found on my **assignment calendar** via a link on my web page.

***Late Work***

You have 3 days/chances to make up missing work once I have notified you of missing work. I consider a 0 in the grade book notification. It is your responsibility to check the grade book daily. (Download the app☺)

***Missed exams-***

Students must schedule a makeup time for missed exams either before or after school.

***Grades will be available*** via the Parent Portal for Power School, our grading program.

For more information on Parent portal go to the WCS home page, www.wcskids.net, click on Parents/Students and Parent Portal.

Parents and Students are reminded, because of late and missed assignments; no grade is final until the term ends.

**Classroom Expectations:**

* **Electronics in sight during instruction will result in a verbal warning and subsequent detention and call home.**
* Be in your seat at the bell with notebook open and ready for bellwork.
* Bring all necessary materials.
* Participate fully in classroom activities.
* Complete work assigned.
* Remain seated at the end of class until you are dismissed by your teacher.
* Honor school property.
* Use appropriate language.
* Speak respectfully to all adults and students.

**Supplies:**

2 Notebooks/ composition books: 1 for notes, 1 Writer’s Notebook

2 packs of post it notes

1 folder for returned work and handouts

Pens/pencils

**Recommended/ not required:**

Flash/jump drive