# SHARYLAND HIGH SCHOOL English I 2019-2020

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Room 144

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Conference: 8:05-9:37 a.m

# **English I Course Objectives:**

This course will develop students' academic skills in:



# - Reading

- o Literary: Fiction, Poetry, Drama, & Literary Nonfiction
- o Informational: Expository, Persuasive, Procedural, & Non-Visual

### - Writing

- o The Writing Process
- o Expository
- o Persuasive & Procedural Writing

### - Oral & Written Conventions

- o Academic Language
- o Handwriting, Capitalization & Punctuation
- o Spelling

## - Research

o Research Plan, Gathering Sources, Synthesizing Information, & Organizing & Presenting Ideas

# - Listening & Speaking

o Individual & Teamwork

# **Evaluation Methods and Grading Criteria:**

#### **Grading**:

60% -Major Grades: This includes tests, research paper(s), major projects, essays, & benchmarks 40% -Minor Grades: This includes homework, daily exercises, quizzes and in-class checks

#### Late Work:

All students will be given 3 additional days to make up a major assignment if late (with a progressive grade penalty of 10 points per day).

#### **Classroom Rules and Procedures:**

- -Upon arriving to class every day, students will sit in their assigned seats and begin the daily assignment, which will be listed on the board.
  - -Students will maintain respect for the teacher, as well as fellow classmates, at all times.
  - -Swearing, derogatory statements, and inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated.
  - -No food or drinks (Water is ok).
  - -No talking or interrupting when the teacher is talking/teaching.
  - -Students will raise their hands to speak in class.
  - -Keep classroom neat and clean.
  - -Bring all materials to class.
  - -No Cell Phones!!
  - -ALWAYS do your BEST!

#### Absences:

Students with an EXCUSED absence (including off-campus suspension) will have the opportunity to make up missed work at the rate of <u>one day for one day missed</u>, with a maximum of five days. Students who are absent but had prior notice of a major or minor assignment must complete the assignment on the first day back to school. Student will receive a zero for any major or minor assignment not made up within the allotted time. Students with an UNEXCUSED absence may <u>not</u> make up missed work.

#### **Group Work:**

Learning will be a collaborative effort in this classroom. I expect you to respect your fellow classmates. You will disagree with one another from time to time, but it is important to respect the opinions of others at ALL times. **Disrespect is unacceptable**.

#### **Classroom Policies on all Writing Assignments:**

Many of our writing assignment in this class will be shared with your peers through writing workshops or in-class activities. This means that your classmates will be reading your writing. Be conscious of the subject matter in your writing. ALL writing assignments are to be written legibly or typed in Times New Roman, 12 pt. font.

#### **Bring to Class Everyday:**

- Blue/black pens
- Pencils
- School paper
- Sturdy folder
- Composition book
- Highlighter
- USB
- Good attitude ②