

7th and 8th Grade Syllabus 2023-2024

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Information regarding academic standards can be found at <https://www.tn.gov/education/districts/academic-standards.html>

Materials for EVERY class:

- **Academic Planner**
- **Chromebook w/charger**
- **Pencil Pouch w/supplies**
 - Pencils
 - Colored Pencils
 - Colored Pens
 - Yellow Highlighters
 - Glue Stick
 - Scissors
 - Earbuds/Headphones (with 3.5mm round end cord; *not bluetooth - must be corded*)
 - Hand-held Pencil Sharpener

ELA Materials to bring to class daily:

- Wordly Wise
- 1 Subject Spiral Notebook
- Independent reading book

Social Studies Materials to bring to class daily:

- 2' Binder
- Loose-leaf lined paper

Math Materials to bring to class daily:

- 1.5 inch 3-ring binder
- Loose leaf lined paper and loose leaf graph paper
- TI-30XIIS calculator (same as sixth grade)
- 12 inch clear plastic ruler (with holes to put in binder)

Science Materials to bring to class daily:

- 1 inch 3-ring binder
- Loose leaf lined paper

Regular Needs:

- Boxes of Tissues
- Dry Erase Markers
- Hard Candy (Mints, Jolly Ranchers, and life savers)
- Paper Towels

*Students will receive one textbook, wordly wise book, and one journal. If the books are lost, replacing these texts is the responsibility of the student. **If you run out of these materials during the school year, it is your responsibility to replace them.**

ELA Required Readings:	
<i>MyPerspectives</i> , Pearson Publishing NoRedInk Wordly Wise Commonlit.org Resources **There will also be music and art representative of the various time periods. *You may find my classroom library here: https://www.libib.com/u/darnell	
7th Grade	8th Grade
Quarter 1: Hiaasen <i>Hoot</i> Quarter 2: Science Fiction Short Stories (varied) and Horowitz <i>A Christmas Carol</i> Quarter 3: Lowry <i>The Giver</i> Quarter 4: Grantz <i>Refugee</i>	Quarter 1: Orwell <i>Animal Farm</i> Quarter 2: Poetry (varied) and Hackett & Goodrich <i>The Diary of Anne Frank</i> Quarter 3: Collins <i>The Hunger Games</i> Quarter 4: Hinton <i>The Outsiders</i>

Team Expectations

- Be on time to class and seated when the door closes.
- Be prepared for class. **You will not be allowed to return to your locker once class begins.**
- You are responsible for and expected to give your very best work. In order to be successful in our classes, you will be expected to complete all homework and class assignments
- Be fully present in class. Listen actively and engage in the learning process
- Respect the dignity and worth of every person in the classroom. This includes your peers, your teacher, and the perspectives of those individuals studied in class.

Team Policies

Grading – Grades are determined by counting up all points that a student earns and converting that into a percentage comparing points earned to possible points that could be earned. Grades are a combination of class work, homework, projects, quizzes, and tests. Independent reading is also a part of the ELA grade.

Late Work – It is in your best interest to complete homework on time. All assignments are designed to strengthen skills and are progressive in content. If you do not do homework or are late, then learning may be affected.

Assignments turned in one day late will earn a maximum of 70% credit. Assignments turned in after this will earn a maximum of 50% credit. After five school days, 0% credit will be given.

Absences – When you miss class, you are responsible for finding out what needs to be made up on the day you return. It is your responsibility to **check Canvas** and gather materials to make up all the work that is missed. Students with excused absences will have a maximum of the number of days missed plus one additional day to make up work.

Academic Honesty - Students are expected to complete each assignment, including homework, tests, quizzes, and essays, independently and without consulting parents, teachers, other students, or the Internet for explicit answers. (*This is different from asking for help with a concept or clarifying instructions. Please contact your teacher if you are confused about the assignment or are struggling with the material or reading.*) **Students caught cheating or plagiarizing will receive a zero on the assignment.**

Conduct – Students are expected to follow school rules at all times. Conduct slips can be given for a number of infractions including: failing to observe school rules, destroying school or personal property, bullying/harassment, being rude/disrespectful, annoying another student, horseplaying, being off-task, excessive talking/loudness, unexcused tardies for class, or any other inappropriate behavior as determined by the teacher. **If a student**

receives a conduct slip, it will be sent home and will require a parent/guardian signature by the next school day. If a signature is not collected, parent/guardian will be notified via email or phone.

Electronic Devices – Chromebook will often be used for class assignments, projects, and activities. These are allowed to be used in class only when the teacher has given permission to do so. Students using any electronic device without permission are subject to the consequences outlined in the student handbook.

I understand the learning expectations and policies for all middle school classes. I will do all that I can to meet the learning expectations and policies.

Student Name (Print) _____

Student Signature _____

Date_____

Parent/Guardian Name (Print) _____

Parent Signature _____

Date_____

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