

Grade 9 English Language Arts

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Contacting the Teacher

For students, the best way to contact me is through the Teams chat. This is the most efficient way for me to get your message/question and get back to you in a timely manner. Email is the second best option.

For parents/guardians/adults responsible for a student, the best way to communicate with me is via my email address listed above.

Course Website

All the assignments and rubrics (when possible) will be posted on the website along with due dates. If due dates change, they will be updated as soon as possible on the website as well. This website is a good tool for both students and adults that are responsible for students in this class.

Please note that if you are absent, it is your responsibility to look at the website to see what was missed. It is also recommended to ask a classmate. While I can answer follow-up questions, it is essential that you ask classmates before asking me.

Submitting Work

Assignments must be submitted via Teams under the assignment submission tabs. This goes for all assignments unless otherwise explicitly written on the assignment handout or listed on my website. Assignments submitted via email will not be accepted. If you are struggling with turning in an assignment on Teams, please ask a classmate or friend to help you. If that does not work, please come see me *prior to the assignment due date.*

The student's name must be on every assignment - even if it is submitted via Teams. Once assignments are printed, they all get mixed up. I cannot easily keep track of assignments without names. PLEASE put your name on every page of your assignment on the top right-hand corner.

Late Submission of Assignments

The late penalty for assignments is 5% per day after the submission deadline. After 7 days, the assignment will no longer be accepted. This policy is set in place for multiple reasons. One of the reasons being that handing work in late simply creates a pile-up of assignments and can contribute to feeling overwhelmed. Another reason being that deadlines help teach/learn time management skills and accountability.

Incomplete Assignments

Any work that is not handed in will receive a 0% for all competencies being evaluated for that assignment. For example, if an assignment is being evaluated for competencies 1 and 2, the student will be receiving a 0% for both competencies.

Resubmission of Assignments

The resubmission must be asked for in written form (either via email or TEAMS) by the student. A resubmission deadline will be stated by the teacher. The student must make considerable changes to the assignment and must show proof of those changes. Either with notes in the margin(s) or by highlighting the new content that was changed or added. The original assignment with teacher feedback must be handed in as well. If the original assignment is not handed in with the resubmission, I reserve the right to not accept the resubmitted assignment.

Resubmissions are welcome because the goal of all assignments is to learn and become better at a skill or understanding a topic/issue. Hence, resubmissions must be taken seriously.

Homework

Homework is the student's responsibility. There will almost always be class time given to work on assignments. That being said, if someone is absent, has not used class time wisely, or has not had enough time to complete work in class, then it becomes the student's responsibility to complete the work outside of school, on their own time. It is the student's responsibility to manage their time and meet various deadlines.

Marks on Mozaik (Parent Portal)

Students' marks will be posted on the parent portal. This will allow both parents/guardians and students to be able to track their progress throughout the term.

Assignment Timeline For The Term

Term 1	
Assignment	Due Date
Open Letter	TBD
Four Songs Assignment	TBD
"7 Years" - Writing Assignment	TBD
Core memory storytelling assignment	TBD
Independent reading - self-evaluation	End of term

*This assignment list is not final - assignments are subject to change throughout the term.

Some things to expect in terms 2 & 3

- Response
- Literature Circles