6th Grade Language Arts

Access my website for useful resources and class updates: <u>mrskrem.weebly.com</u> Click here to access the online gradebook, HAC.

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Classroom Expectations:

In order to create an atmosphere of respect and safety in the classroom, there are three classroom expectations.

Rules:

- 1. Be respectful
 - to the teacher
 - to classmates
 - to school property
- 2. Be responsible
 - be in your seat and ready to work at the start of class
 - turn in all work
 - bring required materials to class
- 3. Be motivated
 - give your best effort to assignments
 - participate in discussions
 - take interest in your success

Behavior Management: Per the WKMS PBIS pyramid, a student will be given two warnings for disruptive or inappropriate behavior. If the behavior continues after the warnings, the student will complete a reflection and the student's parents will be contacted. An after-school detention will follow a reflection if the inappropriate behavior continues. Finally, the teacher may give an office referral if the previous steps have not helped the student to change his/her behavior.

Grading Policy

- Grades will reflect the student's level of mastery for the standard(s) assessed.
- Grade categories are as follows: Reading-30%, Writing-30%, Language Usage-15%, Speaking and Listening-15%, and Formatives-10%.
 - Grades will reflect the standards for reading, writing, language usage and speaking and listening.
- All grades are calculated out of 100 points. The FCPS Secondary English and Language Arts Rubrics for Reading, Writing, Language Usage and Speaking and Listening will be used to grade all assignments except Word Wizard guizzes.

Revisions

Revisions are due one week after the writing assignment has been returned to the student with teacher feedback.

What you need for a revision:

- * Original Copy
- * Revised Copy
- * You **must** have the edits highlighted on the revised copy.

* You **must** write a reflection explaining why the specific revisions you have made have improved your writing.

Late Work

Students are expected to turn in all assigned work. Late work will accepted up until one week before midterm and one week before the end of term. Late work will not receive a deduction in points. However, in order to be accepted, a late assignment must be accompanied by a completed late work reflection.

Homework

Your homework assignments will include Word Wizard practice and class assignments that are not finished at the end of class. Assignments may be given throughout the week. Assignments will be recorded on homework hotline, which is accessible from the WKMS homepage, as well as the class website.

Absences

If you are absent, it is your responsibility to ask for the work that is missed.

Tutoring

Students may receive tutoring by requesting to be signed up for ELT tutoring sessions or by requesting help during independent work time in class.

Class Materials

Every day you will need a pencil or a pen (blue or black ink), a LA section of a three ring binder or a LA folder and a spiral notebook. Be sure to stock your notebook with loose leaf paper as well. Bring an independent reading book to each class. Bring your agenda to class.

Daily Routines

You are expected to be in your seat, with your required materials, by the start of class. During class follow the teacher's directions the first time they are given. At the end of class you will be dismissed by the teacher, not by the clock.

Bathroom/Hall Pass

Use the bathroom before class begins. In the case of an emergency, you may request a pass to be dismissed to the bathroom.

Digital Learning Environment

FCPS has received a grant to infuse digital learning into the 6th grade classroom that will correlate with your Science and Language Arts classes. Students will be using a variety of digital tools to accomplish a real-world task during two units throughout the year.