ENGLISH 9

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Checking Student Grades: https://ereport.spps.org/campus/stpaul.jsp
We keep our grades up-to-date. Students who check their grades regularly tend to do better overall. If you need help getting this set up, please let us know!

Get the campus app so that you can get notifications and other updates about your school performance! http://media.infinitecampus.com/public/html/mobile/moreinfo.html

Expectations:
Johnson is proud of our positive school environment:
→ What hurts my brother or sister hurts me.
→ Nothing will work unless I do.

Ms. Her’s classroom expectations:
1. Be respectful: No electronic devices – no charging phone in class, headphones away!
2. Sit in your assigned seat. Don’t get up during class! If you need to get up, ask first.
3. Follow the school rules: No sleeping, no hats, no food etc.
   (all Johnson school-wide rules will be enforced)
4. Do the appropriate thing at the appropriate time: use polite language, ask good questions, etc.
5. High help, high perfectionism

Breaking any of these rules can lead to being asked to leave class and meeting your AP.

Tardiness and Passes:
Being on time means being in your assigned seat when the bell rings. Four consecutive tardies will result in being sent to your AP. No passes will be given out during teaching or lecturing time. Passes to use the bathroom are available during independent work time. No passes are given out during the first and last 10 minutes of class.

Late Work:
1. Late work is acceptable until the end of a unit. After that, it cannot be turned in for points.
2. After 1 week, you only get 1/2 the points for the assignment.
3. If you want missing assignments, get it after school- not during class time! Check online on Schoology!

Grading Scale:
100 – 90% = A  89 – 80% = B  79 – 70% = C  69 – 60% = D

Class work will be weighted as follows:

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<th>Summative Assessments: 60%</th>
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All JHS 9th graders will be:
• Reading every day
• Selecting books based on personal interest
• Thoughtfully interacting with the texts
• Applying information learned in class
• Writing analytic responses
• Discussing ideas and discoveries with teachers and class members

What are we doing Semester 1?
• Unit 1: Analyzing character
• Unit 2: Analyzing theme
• Unit 3: Writing narratives
• Unit 4: Writing annotated bibliographies
• Unit 5: Expository reading and writing
• Unit 6: Research presentations

Ms. Her’s Classroom Routines and Procedures:
1. Grab your notebook and your IR book when you come in
2. Be in your assigned seat when the bell rings
3. Reading Time (10-20mins)
4. Listen respectfully to Ms. Her’s lesson
5. Work time
6. Closing Activity

Conferencing:
While reading, there will be days when I will walk around and conference with students about their books. During conferences, I will be checking to see how your reading is coming along and helping with any misunderstandings. This is a good time to ask me questions about the book if you don’t understand something.

Cold Calling:
Cold calling is when the teacher calls on students randomly instead of asking for volunteers. I do this in class so that I can hear everyone’s voice. Don’t be afraid if you get called on. Take your time to answer.

Ipads:
When we get our ipads, we will be using schoology for our English class. This means that you will need to bring your ipad CHARGED with you to class everyday! If you are not working responsibly on your ipad or your ipad is not charged, you can do assignments with paper and pencil. On Schoology, you will find all handouts and assignments. This is very nice for those of you who miss class or lose an assignment. Instead of asking me first—look on Schoology.

Need Help?
Please keep in touch with me. If you are struggling, or if you need more of a challenge, please let me know. You can also email me any time, especially if you have questions from home. The school also provides tutoring for homework help in the library.

Don’t worry about failure. Worry about the chances you miss when you don’t even try.
-Sherman Finesilver