

Welcome back,

I would like to officially welcome you back to New Lexington High School. We will be working with various forms of literature, vocabulary, writing, and grammar this year. It is important for you to focus on your work and strive to be the best student you can be. The two most important items to keep in mind are communication and deadlines. Good luck in the upcoming school year.

General Classroom Rules:

- 1) No cell phones/earbuds are permitted during class instruction.
- 2) Be on time every day. Make sure that you have a pass from a teacher if you are late.
- 3) Be respectful to everyone in the class. Treat others with the respect they deserve. Watch your language at all times. Some jokes, phrases, or comments may be offensive to others in the room.
- 4) Food is not permitted in class; however, drinks are acceptable (per the student handbook).
- 5) Sleeping in class is not an option.
- 6) Please ask to charge your Chromebook (this will not be an everyday thing).

Classroom Supplies:

- 1) pen/pencil
- 2) a highlighter
- 3) college-ruled notebook paper
- 4) student planner (optional)
- 5) personal reading book

Classroom Preparation:

Bottom Line: Be prepared for class.

Grading Scale/Policy:

Your grade is based on the number of points earned divided by the maximum number of points for the quarter. Grades can be checked on Infinite Campus at any time throughout the quarter.

GRADING SCALE

A	100-93	C	76-73
A-	92-90	C-	72-70
B+	89-87	D+	69-67
B	86-83	D	66-63
B-	82-80	D-	62-60
C+	79-77	F	<59

Homework/Assignments/Projects:

All students are expected to turn in homework, assignments, and projects on the date specified. An assignment that is turned in late will be reduced by 50%. If a student is absent (in the excused sense), they must turn in the assignment the day they come back to school. It is the student's responsibility to check for any assignments that were missed while they were absent.

Journals:

Journals are a chance for me to get to know your feelings on different topics. They are a way for you to express yourself in a less public forum. I am the only one who will read these journals. Each journal will be valued at 20 points. By the end of the quarter, they will combine to create a sizable grade. It would be wise to stay on top of these prompts.

Membean:

Membean is an expectation at the beginning of class unless directed otherwise. The first ten minutes of each class will be dedicated to it. You will be receiving nine points per week for time (ten minutes per day that we are in session), accuracy (70% or higher), and Membean participation. There will be a quiz every two weeks (worth fifteen points). There is a document on our webpage's home screen that outlines the specifics of Membean. Please read it carefully.

SmartPass

SmartPass is still relatively new to our school, but it will continue to be utilized.

Submit your pass request using your Chromebook. If I do not see it, please raise your hand and let me know that you have submitted one. Once you have alerted me, wait to see if the authorization goes through. There is a sign-out sheet at the front of the room that you will need to complete prior to leaving. This is a backup in case SmartPass is not working or in case there is an issue.

Plagiarism and AI

Plagiarism is not tolerated in class. If you are caught plagiarizing from an online source or cheating in any capacity, you will receive a zero on that assignment or assessment. The use of AI is a very new frontier for most of us. It is something that we will discuss over the course of the year; however, AI is technically not your work. You must submit a product that is yours.