

**English as a Second Language**  
**English Language Development (ELD)**  
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### **Classroom Rules**

1. Do the right thing
2. Do the right thing every time
3. Treat others the way you want to be treated.

***If you want to learn, no one can stop you.***  
***If you don't want to learn, no one can make you!***

### **Classroom Expectations/Procedures**

- **Cell phones** - Please refrain from using cell phones unless given permission.
- **Classroom Time & Instruction:** Our time together is limited and very important. We must use as much of it as possible for academic purposes.
- **Participate in Class:** You are expected to participate in every assigned class activity which includes, but is not limited to: taking notes, doing a group activity, working on an individual basis, watching a video, listening to guest speakers, etc. You are expected to be involved and on task.
- **Chromebook Use** - You have been assigned a chromebook, which is the property of Lenoir City Schools. We will be using these EVERY DAY in class for various activities and assignments. **It is your responsibility to bring your Chromebook to class and to make sure it is charged and properly taken care of.** It is a good idea to carry your charger with you at all times. We will be using Chromebooks as a learning tool. If you are misusing or violating terms of use policy (as outlined in the school handbook), appropriate disciplinary action will follow.
- **Emergency Procedures** - We will practice emergency procedures for fire, tornado, soft and hard lockdowns. This is a high-priority item. It is serious business and playing around and/or carelessness will not be tolerated.

### **Assignments/Grading Policy**

Student grades will be based on daily work, quizzes and projects, and tests/assessments. Each assignment will be given a specific point value and will typically follow these values:

- Daily work: 20%
- Quizzes and projects: 20%
- Tests/Assessments: 60%

The current grading scale is as follows:

A (90-100); B (80-89); C (70-79); D (60-69); and F (Below 60).

You will be able to view your grades and average at any time using the online grade program, Skyward. You are encouraged to create an account in order to more easily access information regarding your student's grades. Click [here](#) for more information and to create an account.

### **Absences/Make Up Work/Late Work**

It is in your best interest to make up these assignments as soon as possible. We aim to use our classroom time as effectively and efficiently as possible, which means when you miss a day of school, there will be assignments to make up.

### **Plagiarism**

According to Harbrace Handbook, 15th edition: Plagiarism is defined as "presenting someone else's ideas, research, or opinion as your own without proper documentation, even if it has been rephrased." It includes, but is not limited to the following:

1. Copying verbatim all or part of another's written work;
2. Using phrases, figures, or illustrations without citing the source;
3. Paraphrasing ideas, conclusions, or research without citing the source;
4. Using all or part of a literary plot, poem, or film without attributing the work to its creator."

### **Consequences of Plagiarism**

Plagiarism is a form of stealing and academic fraud. Students who are found guilty of plagiarism will have the option of either redoing the assignment within a specified time period and accepting a grade letter drop or taking a zero on the assignment. Parents should be involved in making the decision.

**\*NOTE\*- As posted above, "copying" any or all part of another student's work is considered plagiarism. If any part of a student's work is found to be copied, the student may receive a ZERO on the assignment. No exceptions.**

**Course Description:**

In Tennessee, this specially designed language program is English as a Second Language (ESL). ESL programs must be delivered by an endorsed ESL teacher. The curriculum follows ELPA21 standards which are a general set of English language acquisition standards that should be used in conjunction with content standards. These standards address the language support necessary to enable the English Learner (EL) to access the grade level content curriculum by providing scaffolds to academic content.

**\*\*\*Parents are encouraged to join Canvas through the Canvas Parent App if they would like access to instructional materials. Directions for creating an account can be found [here](#). Skyward is still our primary grade book and is considered to be the official grading system for all courses at Lenoir City High School. We encourage all families to use their Skyward Parent Access accounts for current attendance and grading information.**

**\* ParentSquare is the designated app for communication to and from teachers. Please download the app if possible. You should have received information and instructions in an email from Dr. Smallen over the summer.**

**Parent/Student Acknowledgement Page**

Please sign and return this page for your English as a Second Language (ESL) class acknowledging that you understand the requirements for this class. This Acknowledgement Page will be the student's first grade.

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Parent Signature

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Student Signature