



Mrs. Lackey



**Advanced Language Arts II (7th grade)
2020 - 2021**

Course Overview:

This year in Language Arts we will work on reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills addressing the Language Arts Florida Standards (LAFS). We will focus on close reading strategies, analyzing fiction and non-fiction texts, citing evidence to support ideas, essay format and writing practice, expanding vocabulary and grammar knowledge, and building creative and critical thinking skills. We will accomplish this through the use of the Collections textbook and Close Reader workbook and through various classroom activities including vocabulary enrichment, creative writing, and essay writing. Note taking will be taught and practiced as well as research skills. Technology will be used extensively throughout the year. Students can view all assignments in the Google classroom.

Within the Collections textbook we will be covering the following units:

Collection 1 - Bold Actions

Collection 3 - Nature at Work

Collection 6 - Guided by a Cause

Collection 2 - Perception and Reality

Resources and materials:

Use of online resources such as Google classroom and Google apps

Collections textbook - (online edition)

Close Reader - interactive workbook/online edition

Chromebook (fully charged)

Earbuds or headphones (optional mouse)

2 pocket folder

Spiral notebook

Pens, pencils, highlighters

Post it notes

****NOTE - For a full list of supplies, please see the [Nautilus Gifted Team Supply List](#)***

Grading:

Class grading will be done using a points system. The assignments will therefore carry different weights. Points will be determined based on time, energy, and knowledge base/content mastery needed to complete each assignment.

Bell ringers, Exit tickets, Quick writes, Participation	10 - 25 points
Classwork, Quizzes, Writing assignments	25 - 100 points
Projects, Tests, Essays	100 - 200 points

The following is the grading scale - 90% - 100% A

80% - 89% B
70% - 79% C
60% - 69% D
59% and below F

Updated grades will be posted in Focus each week and students will be directed to check grades and assignments on a regular basis.

Late Work Policy: Students are expected to turn in work as assigned on time. They can view all assignments in the Google classroom including due dates. Work will be accepted if turned in late, but partial credit may be given depending on the lateness, quality, and completeness of the assignment. If any work is turned in late to the teacher, it is **the student's responsibility** to notify the teacher that the work has been completed and turned in late. This should be done via email - JeanL@Leeschools.net.

Makeup Work Policy: Should a student miss class, it is the responsibility of **the student** to find out what work and assignments were missed and make them up. This may include contacting a classmate, asking/emailing the teacher, or viewing the Google classroom on the Chromebook. The student will be expected to make up the work in a reasonable time frame. When a student finishes and turns in/submits any makeup work, he or she **MUST** directly notify the teacher by email so that it can be graded in a timely manner.

Google Classroom Codes:

- Period 1/2 7th grade - wfdpmkx
- Period 3/4 7th grade - rjusbdk

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