

6th Grade English

Course Information:

- 6th Grade English
- Mrs. Loving
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Deep Hope: My **Deep Hope** is that we ALWAYS RISE to each challenge and use our God-given gifts to grow.

Course Description:

The purpose of this course is to motivate and encourage students to be competent, confident, and enthusiastic writers, readers, listeners, and speakers. We will discover that language is more than just a tool for communication by exploring together how language, literature, and writing can be understood, interpreted, and appreciated through the eyes of our faith.

Materials:

Please bring the following supplies to English everyday:

- Chromebook - make sure your computer is FULLY charged EVERY DAY
- Expandable file
- Composition Notebook (will be kept in classroom)
- Red pen
- Pencils
- Completed homework (as necessary)

****Please be prepared to bring the following supplies when they are needed:****

- Colored pencils/Markers
- Choice book

Canvas:

- Canvas will be used to track assignments, grades, due dates, class communications, and daily agendas. You should check Canvas regularly for updates and use it to track grades and keep track of assignments. If you miss class, check Canvas—when you are able—to catch up on what you missed.

Grading Policy:

- Homework - [Family & Student Handbook](#)
- Assessment - Students will be assessed through regular quizzes, in-class activities/assignments, and summative assessments (such as essays and projects). Students will also receive weekly grades for bellwork (these contain practice and review concepts).

- Missing/Late Work: **I do not accept homework through email**
 - Late work will result in 10% point reduction per day, up to 50%
 - Late work will be accepted up to **1 week** past the due date OR **end of unit** (whichever comes first).
 - Late work will be accepted for the first semester (quarters 1 & 2); late work **WILL NOT** be accepted in the second semester (quarters 3 & 4).
- Missed work due to absence: Students have the number of days absent plus 1 day to make up missing work. It is the student's responsibility to check Canvas and communicate with Mrs. Loving promptly to make up missed work.

Classroom Rules and Expectations:

1. Always show respect for others.
2. Contribute positively to the learning environment.
3. Be on-time and prepared for each class.

***Behavior issues** in the classroom will be handled in accordance with the 'Student Conduct and Discipline Plan', which can be found in the Student Handbook.

Bellringer: Each class period will begin with a Bellringer. It is expected that all students will be working on their Bellringer as soon as the bell rings.

Homework/Quizzes/Assessments:

Time will be given in class to work on assignments. Remaining work may be completed during study hall or at home as needed.

- All homework and assignments should be neat, completed to the best of your ability, and labeled with your FULL name.
- Homework is due at the beginning of class. If you have questions about the assignment, please ask BEFORE class begins. You are welcome to arrange for extra help during study hall.
- Students will have many opportunities to show what they've learned about a given topic. While students will always be given adequate time to prepare for a test and the majority of quizzes, there may be 'pop' quizzes from time to time.
- If you are absent, it is your responsibility to find out what you've missed (check Canvas first). Send an email or talk to Mrs. Loving in person.
- NOTE: Late work (not due to absence) will result in a loss of **10% point value per day**. Late work must be turned in by 1 week past the due date OR the end of the unit (whichever comes first) to receive points. Past the 1-week (or unit-end) grace period, the assignment will receive a 0 in the gradebook.

Course Content:

During this year, we will be exploring reading, writing, speaking, and listening through a variety of materials and activities. Some examples include:

Narrative Writing	Novel Study	Literature Circles
Formal/Expository Writing	Short Stories	Public Speaking
<i>(Claims, Evidence, & analysis)</i>	Poetry	Grammar
Response to Literature		

Communication:

- Mrs. Loving's email and office phone number are included at the top of the syllabus. Email is usually the best way to reach me, but I also have a voicemail box. Phone and/or zoom calls can be arranged in advance.