

O.T. Bonner Middle School

Course Syllabus

Course Name: English 7 & Honors/Gifted English 7

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Course Description:

During 7th grade, students will develop their vocabulary skills by strengthening their ability to use context clues and learning to break words apart into prefixes, roots, and suffixes. Students will also be developing foundational grammar and writing skills throughout the school year. Additionally, students will read a diverse set of texts during the year as they build their comprehension abilities.

Student Evaluation:

- Student Conduct/Behavior
- (Gold) Assessments, Tests, Projects 40 %
- (Silver) Quizzes and Minor Assignments 35 %
- (Bronze) Classwork, Homework, and Participation 25 %

A = 90-100% | B = 89-80% | C = 79-70% | D = 69-60% | F = 59-0%

Student Goal:

During the school year, all students will access grade-level texts and utilize reading skills in order to demonstrate proficiency or show considerable growth on all 7th Grade English/Language Arts Standards of Learning.

Promotion Requirements:

According to Danville Public School's Promotion and Retention Policy, **K-8** student promotion shall be based upon satisfactory performance as follows:

- Students in grades K-8 who pass mathematics and English and at least one of the following: social studies or science will be promoted to the next grade.
- For students in grades 3-8, attending at least 90% of class days is required to receive course credit.

Individual student retention shall be based upon a cumulative evaluation of the following factors:

Academic Performance:

- Students in grades K-8 fail one or more of the three core subject areas.

- Students in grades K-8 consistently perform below grade level in reading and mathematics when appropriate intervention and other supports have been provided and documented.
- Students in grades 3-8 Standard of Learning assessment results in reading and mathematics at the end of grade indicate below-grade-level academic performance.
- Students in grades 3-8 do not attend 90% of the class days required to receive course credit.

Please be aware that you can keep track of your student's grades, assignments, and attendance by using your Parent Portal account. Homework is posted each week on our school webpage under the teacher's name. Please contact your student's school counselor if you need help navigating our school website, a Parent Portal activation code, or assistance accessing the Parent Portal.

Course Requirements:

- All homework should be completed as assigned.
- All students should be ready to participate in all class activities.
- All students will be expected to stay engaged and work hard.
- All students are expected to be respectful, responsible, and ready to learn daily.

Parent and Student Resources

- All parents are encouraged to check the Parent Portal to monitor student academic progress and attendance. The Parent Portal can be downloaded from Google Play and the App Store.
- Connect with O.T. Bonner Middle School through the following avenues:



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