

# KMS English-language Development (ELD) Syllabus

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| Parent Signature:  | Student Signature:   |
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| Signing this syllabus only acknowledges that you read and unde | rstand. If you have any more questions, feel free to email me. |

This course teaches skills to help students improve their English skills in reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Find more information about the <u>CA ELD standards here</u>.

| WHAT YOU WILL ACCOMPLISH  |    | GRADING SCALE |
|---|----|---------------|
| Growth toward grade-level reading.  | A+ | 97-100        |
| Writing to communicate clearly in   | А  | 93-96         |
| school and out.   | A- | 90-92         |
| Listening for understanding.  | B+ | 87-89         |
| Speaking to amplify your voice in the world!  |    | 83-86         |
| •Expanding your vocabulary.   |    | 80-82         |
| Building organizational and study skills.   |    | 77-79         |
|   |    | 73-76         |
| •Exploring the following issues   |    | 70-72         |
| while developing academic reading, writing, speaking, listening, and vocabulary skills.         | D+ | 67-69         |
|   | D  | 63-66         |
|   | D- | 60-62         |
| TEXTBOOKS & CURRICULUM  |    | F <59         |
| We will be using the Language Power curriculum and Digital Readworks. In addition, we will read |    |               |
| novels together as a class.   |    |               |
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## CHROMEBOOKS & CELLPHONES



# If students have an assigned chromebook,

- Charge at home nightly.
- Bring it fully charged to school.
- Remain on school-approved websites during class time.
- Chromebooks are tools. They are to be closed during class discussions.
- Report problems with Chromebooks ASAP.



Cell phones must be turned off or put in airplane mode and locked in a Yondr pouch for the school day. Cell phone use is not allowed during the school day.

Kennedy Middle School requires teachers to confiscate cell phones and deliver them to the office for pick up by parents or guardians. The office closes at 4:00 p.m. Monday to Friday.

# GRADE WEIGHTS

**CLASSWORK: 25%** 

**TESTS & QUIZZES: 25%** 

AGENCY: 25%

-on time and prepared

- -strong work effort (trying)
- -positive interaction w/ peers

**INDEPENDENT WORK/HOMEWORK: 25%** 

## KMS PAWS EXPECTATIONS

#### **P**repared

"I attend class with materials. I am prompt, and I am ready to learn."

#### **A**ttitude

"I make the choice to be positive - even in the face of negativity."

#### Wise Choices

"I think twice, and act once."

#### Safe

"I make decisions with health and safety in mind."

## **LATE WORK**

You are eligible to receive full credit on an assignment if it is turned in by the day it is due. Late assignments will be reduced by one letter grade. A zero (MIS) on an assignment means you never turned in the assignment. Incomplete assignments (INC) usually need to be finished or revised or edited.

#### **Excused Absences:**

You have one week after an excused absence to turn in late work with no consequence to the grade.

#### Office Hours for Students:

Need more help? Have questions? See me during lunch, recess, or right after school. (See Google Classroom for schedule.