



English / 2A ELL Syllabus (2026-2027)

North High School

Hello! Welcome! You are joining a class of students who are emergent bilinguals like yourself. Together, we will continue to develop your literacy and writing skills as you navigate English with us. You will practice English skills in speaking, reading, and writing.

Contact Information - Ms. Anderson (English / ELA)

Room 2300

Prep hour/Office Hours - 2nd hour: You may make an appointment to see me during this time or after school.

Email: elizabethc.anderson@mpls.k12.mn.us

Google Voice (text): (612) 460-8652

Google Classroom: has class assignments and resources. Class codes can be found on the teacher's webpage on the North Website.

A few things to note:

- I am available to reply to messages from 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM Monday-Friday. I do not guarantee timely replies outside of these hours.
- Students may text me at my Google Voice only with permission from a parent or guardian!!

UNITS OF LEARNING

Quarter 1: Short Stories and Morphology

Assessments: Weekly Quizzes, Perfect Paragraphs, Short Story One Pager, Memoirs

Quarter 2: Personal Narratives and House on Mango Street

Assessments: Personal Narrative, Introduction Presentations, Comprehension assignments

Quarter 3: Persuasion

Assessments: Comprehension assignments, Persuasive Essay

Quarter 4: Research

Assessments: Research project and presentation

GRADING

Grades are updated weekly on Infinite Campus (I do not update the gradebook on Google Classroom). I typically grade over the weekend so you can expect an updated grade on Mondays. *Late work will not be graded immediately.*

Daily work (warm-ups, worksheets, daily activities) will make up about **55% of your grade**. You will receive roughly 10 points/day in class for classwork. For example, an assignment that takes 3 days in class will be worth 30 points.

Assessments (quizzes, timed essays, projects, essays) will make up about **45% of your grade**. Your 2 lowest scores on quizzes will be dropped at the end of the quarter.

You can make **corrections** on assignments and quizzes for ½ points. Be sure to turn in all corrections the week after it was originally due.

Due dates -

- ALL work is due the last day of the school week (usually **Friday**) after it is assigned unless the due date is otherwise stated.
- Warmups and exit tickets should be completed daily to receive a stamp. You will turn the page in at the end of the week for points.
- There will usually be a quiz on Fridays unless otherwise stated. You will be given a study guide on Monday for the concepts that will be tested on Friday.

Absences -

If you are absent, check Google Classroom first. Google Classroom is kept up to date with assignments. It is a useful tool for helping you stay organized if you have to miss class.

- Paper copies of **recent assignments** are kept in the front of the classroom. Check the Google Classroom for assignments that you missed and clarity on due dates.
- See a classmate or Ms. Anderson's binder to catch-up on vocabulary words and **warmups** that you missed.
- If you miss a **quiz**, keep in mind that 2 quizzes will be dropped by the end of the quarter. If you still want to make up a quiz, see Ms. Anderson to make an appointment.
- If you miss a **timed essay**, see Ms. Anderson for makeup days.

If you still have questions, talk with or email Ms. Anderson!! You can also make an appointment with Ms. Anderson during her prep hour or after school if you need extra help..



CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

Respect:

Within this classroom, we respect and welcome everyone. **We keep each other safe!**

Bullying, offensive jokes, xenophobia, racism, sexism, homophobia, and other rude behavior will **not** be accepted. 😊

Academic Dishonesty/Cheating/ Plagiarism: Students who do not follow the North Academic Honesty policy will receive a zero on the assignment until they complete an alternative assignment.

Examples of academic dishonesty that you are not allowed to do include (but are not limited to):

- You are **not** allowed to use AI (ChatGPT, Snapchat AI, etc...) to complete classwork. Any copy and paste onto an assignment will be treated as AI use.
- You may not copy another student's work and pass it off as your own.
- You may not rely on one person during group work to complete your work.

Ms. Anderson's absolute NO's:

- **No personal devices** (cell phones, headphones, computers, screens, apple watches, etc...)!! - there is so much research on why cell phones distract us, addict us, and cause us to be anxious. We are here for a limited time and we have much to do. I feel strongly about this and so, if I see a cell phone, I will call the office and it will be confiscated for the day. Repeated offenses will result in your phone being confiscated by the office everyday. **If you don't want me to take your phone, don't use it in class.**
- **No** bullying
- **No** offensive language
- **No** working in the hallway without an adult.
- **No** entering the classroom late without a pass - please try your best to not be distracting if you need to enter late!!

If you do any of these behaviors, you may get one warning. A second offense will result in a call home. A third offense or particularly disruptive or inappropriate behavior will result in ISS. Continued behavior may result in suspension or even expulsion.

With permission you may:

- **Use the bathroom -**
 - Bathroom passes are limited to 2 people at a time.
 - You may only receive one pass/per hour.
 - You may have 2 passes from my class/week. More than that are subject to discussion and may result in you being placed on the no pass list.
- **Bring snacks and beverages -**
 - No full meals please. Especially after lunch. Eat your lunch during lunch.
 - CLEAN UP AFTER YOURSELF *we do have mice.*
 - If you abuse this privilege, I can take your food away and revoke this privilege for the entire class. Do not make a mess. Do not be distracting. Don't be that person!!!
- **Borrow supplies -**
 - I will promise to supply anything you will need for the classroom. However, please do not take more than you need or abuse my things. I spend my own time and money to secure these supplies for us so please respect that.
 - If you do not bring your **chromebook** to class, you may use one of my chromebooks only if you trade in your cellphone for it.
- **Get an extension to turn in assignments late -**
 - Communicate with me if you need more time! Lack of communication beforehand will result in lost points.
- **(probably not though) Go to the library or another classroom -**
 - Under some circumstances *with prior approval* from another teacher, I may allow you to work in another classroom. I do **not** promise this. You are **not** entitled to this.

Ms. Anderson's absolute YES's:

- **YES** come to class on time.
- **YES** find the work for the day and all supplies that you need before class begins - *I will post this on the board each day.*
- **YES** complete your warmup as soon as class starts. You should try to work independently before asking questions.
- **YES** come with an open mind, ready to learn, and ready to participate.
- **YES** we will have a great year!! 😊

