

8th Grade Reading Language Arts (RLA)

Class Overview 8th grade RLA is designed to strengthen students' reading, writing, speaking and listening skills in preparation for high school and beyond. Through a variety of literary and informational texts, students will develop critical thinking, close reading, and analytical writing skills. Emphasis will be placed on grammar, vocabulary development, effective communication and reading skills.

Required Materials:

Pens or pencils
3 subject notebook
2 bottles of glue

Grading Policy:

Grading will be based on the following components: Minimum of 16 grades per quarter and a minimum of 2 test grades per quarter.

- Tests and quizzes: 25%
- Daily work and projects: 75%

Assessments:

Bi-weekly ECR and SCR responses
Participation: in class discussions and activities
Projects: Higher order thinking
District exams: Beginning of the year, middle of the year, end of the year exams
Fall checkpoints, spring benchmark, and STAAR

Course Schedule:

Quarter 1: Fiction passages, sentence writing, grammar, SCR and ECR writing
Quarter 2: Nonfiction passages, SCR and ECR writing
Quarter 3: Writing skills, poetry and drama
Quarter 4: STAAR review

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