HEART Course Syllabus
Hope - Engage - Achieve - Restore - Transition

Teacher:
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Welcome to the HEART class! Please read this document carefully, as it will explain to you how to successfully complete the course and earn the 5 credits.

HEART is designed for students to work at their own pace.

All of the HEART curriculum can be found on Google Classroom. You will submit your work directly within each assignment.

PLEASE NOTE: The instructions for the assignments are clearly written, and students must follow them. For example, if the directions state that the answer must include at least three complete sentences, then make certain you have at least three complete sentences; if it says at least two complete paragraphs, make sure you write at least two paragraphs. I expect that you use proper grammar, spelling, and punctuation. For example, do not write lowercase "i" or "im" when it should be "I" or "I'm". Proper nouns are capitalized. When writing our school name, write "REACH Academy", and use "HEART" when writing the name of our class. In short, you should write like you are a professional or a scholar, not like you are texting your friends.

Your grade in HEART will primarily be determined by the quality of the work you submit. However, other factors that will be considered are your attendance and participation as well as your activity in Google Classroom and your regular submission of assignments via Google Classroom. It is the expectation that you will be active in Google Classroom every day of class, and that assignments will be submitted on a daily basis. You should plan on finishing an entire HEART module every 2-3 days, at most.

At all times while you are in the HEART class, it is expected that you will follow the REACH Academy guidelines as outlined on the REACH Academy Schoolwide Learner Outcomes and Positive Behavior Expectations matrix (we'll simply call it "the matrix" from here on out).

You can review the matrix here: [REACH matrix](#). For a simplified way of following these expectations, just ask yourself, "Is it respectful? Is it responsible? Is it safe?" and, if the answer isn't, "Yes!" then don't do it.

Finally, here is the HEART grading policy:

*Attendance - 15%
**Participation - 25%
***The successful completion of the *5* HEART modules - 60%

If you finish the class in 25 days or less, the grade you receive will be much better than if you take more than 25 days to finish the coursework. For a point of reference, the average time it has taken most students to complete all the work is 16-17 days. However, the quality of the work must not suffer because of a quicker pace.

*You can call the HEART classroom at 714-431-1830 or send an email to him at: shenandoah.lynd@sausdlearns.net

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As always, let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mr. Lynd