

# **Course Criteria 2022-23**

**Mr. DeGrandis**

**Intervention and Enrichment - Room 176**

## **Instructor Contact Information**

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## **Course Description**

Please read below and have your child return the last page signed by you. This is the first homework assignment of Marking Period 1.

This course is designed to support students with their reading comprehension and writing skills as they relate to their other classes, especially English. There will be class assignments and classwork, but the focus is on supporting students in completing and understanding assignments in their other subject areas.

In addition, students that require further enrichment and wish to extend the learning they are receiving in their English class, will have opportunities to do so.

## **The Class Blog: Follow Daily Lessons - <http://johndegradis1.blogspot.com>**

The answer to the question, "What are we doing today?" The class blog is another valuable tool to support your child's success in English this year. All daily lessons can be found here including homework assignments and upcoming projects organized by week. It is an excellent way for students who are absent to know exactly what was missed and what content was covered in class that day. All handouts, notes and instructional presentations can be found here as well.

## **Google Classroom: Complete, Submit or Make-up Class Assignments**

This powerful assignment management system allows the instructor to post class assignments with due dates and gives students the ability to access those assignments from any device with an internet connection, even their SmartPhone.

Students can log into Google Classroom using their district issued Google account by going to <http://classroom.google.com> and entering their username and password,

Username: 890XXXYYY@rcsd121.org

Password: same as your computer password at school

Students must sign in using a unique class code which will be given to them by their instructor upon initial login to Google Classroom.

### **Classroom Expectations, Positives and Consequences**

Students are expected to follow the classroom and school behavior expectations and to be in class on time and prepared for learning each day. **On Time to Class = In Seat, Logged into Chromebook, and Begin the Do Now!** Accommodations will be considered on an as needed basis.

### **Absences**

When a student misses a class for any reason, it is suggested the student...

1. First, review the Class Blog ([johndegrandis1.blogspot.com](http://johndegrandis1.blogspot.com)) for lessons, announcements and group activities they may have missed.
2. Second, Check Google Classroom for any missed assignments or posted materials.
3. Lastly, meet with the instructor during office hours to determine a fair timeframe to complete the work and to ask any questions about #1 and #2 above.

**All make-up work submitted after the submission deadline is only accepted at the discretion of the instructor.**

### **Homework**

Typically there will be some form of “out of class” work assigned regularly. Homework assignments can be, but are not limited to, reading assignments, studying, project work, computer-based assignments or written work. Homework missed due to legal absence is not penalized.

### **The NYS ELA**

Yet to be determined...

### **Important Dates to Note**

September 6, 2022	Superintendent's Conference Day
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<b>September 7, 2022</b>	<b>First Day of School for Students</b>
<b>September 22, 2022, 6-8pm</b>	<b>Curriculum Night</b>
<b>October 13, 2022, 5-7pm</b>	<b>Parent Teacher Conferences</b>
<b>November 10, 2022</b>	<b>Quarter 1 Ends</b>
<b>January 12, 2023, 5-7pm</b>	<b>Parent Teacher Conferences</b>
<b>January 27, 2023</b>	<b>Quarter 2 Ends</b>
<b>March 9, 2023, 5-7pm</b>	<b>Parent Teacher Conferences</b>
<b>April 14, 2023</b>	<b>Quarter 3 Ends</b>
<b>May 3, 2023, 5-7pm</b>	<b>Parent Teacher Conferences</b>
<b>June 23, 2023</b>	<b>Quarter 4 Ends</b>

## **GRADING**

### **Summative and Formative Assessments**

**70%**

1. Projects and Writing
2. Classwork
3. Tests and Quizzes

### **Participation**

**30%**

1. Being prepared to learn (includes a charged Chromebook)
2. Interacting with teacher and classmates regularly
3. Following learning expectations

### **Parent Portal**

Please sign up on SOTA's website for a parent portal or download the RCSDlink app through the APPLE STORE or GOOGLE PLAY.

**OFFICE HOURS**

Period 3 or 7 everyday.

Period 5 with teacher permission.

Before by appointment.

**COMMUNICATION**

Students are expected to check their Gmail, Google Classroom and the Class Blog daily for teacher communications during the week.

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I have read over this document with my child and understand that this is their first homework grade of the marking period. It should be returned to Mr. DeGrandis by the student.

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Parent Name Printed

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Date

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Parent Signature