

# ELA-6 Mrs. Whittredge

# **Course Description**

Welcome to Grade 6 English Language Arts! I'm excited to navigate this year of ELA together.

My goal for this course is to help you learn to use your ELA skills proficiently, but even more importantly, I want you to love reading and writing! To begin fostering that love, we will start our year off with poetry.

#### **Project Based Learning**

Much of our work this year will be Project Based Learning. PBL is a teaching method in which students gain knowledge and skills by working for an extended period of time to investigate and respond to an authentic, engaging, and complex question, problem, or challenge.

A letter will be sent home with each new unit to introduce and explain the project. Each of the projects will involve: reading novels or stories, poems, and articles; creative and formal writing; vocabulary; public speaking; grammar and mechanics: and interdisciplinary components, when possible.

Term 1: Who am I in this world?

Term 2: What is my ideal world? Fantasy

Term 3: How can I make my real world more ideal?

The best way to get in touch with me is through email:

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## Class Expectations:

- •arrive to class on time, prepared with materials: A <a href="mailto:charged">charged</a> chromebook, writing utensil, planner
- put forth your best effort every time we meet
- treat your classmates, your teachers, and yourself with respect as we work together
- technology is used for educational purposes only
- check Google Classroom EVERY DAY

### Absences and Make-up Work:

- See student handbook for time extensions due to excused absences
- If you are absent, please log into Google Classroom. Class notes, assignments, and handouts can ALWAYS be found there
- When you are absent, YOU need to meet with me to reschedule any missed quizzes or tests



#### **Grading**

Formative Assessments 60% (practice, classwork, homework, quizzes)
Summative Assessments 40% (Tests, Essays, and Major Projects)

# Home Work

- Students are expected to continue the work if the assignment requires additional time outside of class to be completed.
- iXL practice will be assigned and graded for completion over accuracy.
- Homework assignments will be posted on Google Classroom

