

# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts

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Room 51

## Course Overview:

This class will explore various composition styles and a broad range of Literature and Informational Texts. Course work will involve quizzes and tests, formal papers, analysis of literature, group work, presentations, class discussions, journals and projects.

## Grading Policy:

1. Grades will be given using a weighted point system. Homework will range from 10 to 25+ points depending on the assignment. Tests and quizzes may range from 10 to 50+ points. Presentation and group work grades will vary depending on the assignment.

80% of your grade will be summative (tests, quizzes, projects, formal papers, presentations).

20% of your grade will be formative (homework, participation, classwork).

The building grading scale is as follows:

100%-99% = A+	89%-88% = B+	79%-78% = C+	69%-68% = D+	59%-below = E
98%-93% = A	87%-83% = B	77%-73% = C	67%-63% = D	
92%-90% = A-	82%-80% = B-	72%-70% = C-	62%-60% = D-	

2. There will be no rounding of grades.

3. Late summative assignments will lose a letter grade (10%) for each day they are late.

## \*Retake Policy:

1. You may retake a summative assessment one time, if you meet the following requirements:

A. a score 69% or lower **AND** all assignments related to the current quiz were turned in prior to the original quiz.

B. you meet with me **before/after** school to request the retake and discuss your original score.

C. retakes must be scheduled before/after school and completed within 1 week of the return of the original assessment.

## \*Homework/late work:

Homework is not optional. I expect every assignment to be done to the best of your ability.

A. Homework is due as you walk through the door at the beginning of class.

B. **Late formative work will result in automatic half credit**

C. No late work will be accepted during the last week of the card marking

## Classroom Procedures and Rules:

Procedures:

A. Bellwork is posted on the board daily. As soon as you come to class, begin working on it.

B. I only accept work done in blue or black ink. Pencil is fine as well.

C. Use the proper MLA heading on all papers.

D. Stay in your seat until I dismiss you.