

Ms. Quinn

7th Grade ELA Syllabus 2023-2024

7th Grade Supplies List

Earbuds/Headphones (plug-in only, not wireless)

Kleenex

Pencils

Pocket Folders (4)

Loose- leaf paper

Combination Lock

Pens (Including Red)

Pencil Pouch

Colored Pencils

Highlighter

Handheld sharpener (for colored pencils)

Glue sticks - enough to last all year

Small scissors

Wireless mouse (optional, but recommended)

ELA Supplies for Ms. Quinn's Class

1 inch binder, any style

Binder dividers

Curriculum Overview:

English Language Arts- We will be using the Wit and Wisdom curriculum. The books we read are: *Castle Diary*, *Canterbury Tales*, *Midwife's Apprentice*, *Code Talker*, *Farewell to Manzanar*, *Animal Farm*, *Fever 1793*, and *American Plague*.

ELA Year at a Glance

Grading:

Grades are determined by a combination of classwork and/ or homework, quizzes and tests, participation, and AR. Teachers are required to enter at least one grade per week for each student in their classes. Late work will have an 11 point deduction. Some assignments are eligible for corrections at half credit, *according to the posted procedure*. Zeroes are assigned if nothing is turned in, and also as a placeholder for missing assignments. Grades are in Powerschool, accessible by both parents and students. Progress reports mark the halfway point in each marking period. Assignments will not be accepted after a progress report is issued (over 4 weeks late).

During absences, students are responsible for keeping up with assignments via Canvas. Handouts are placed in the classwork folder in my room; students are also responsible for completing any paper copies upon their return. County policy states students receive one day for each day absent to complete missing work.

Three Ways to be Successful in Any Class:

1. Do all assignments to the best of your ability and turn them in on time.
2. Pay attention to the lesson and take good notes.
3. Most importantly, ASK QUESTIONS and be proactive.

Behavioral Expectations:

Students are asked to be kind, willing, and respectful at all times. Detailed expectations are defined by our PBIS standards, which reset each marking period. Tickets are given to encourage positive behavior and can be used for rewards. Classroom and school awards will be given for positive behavior. If a student is deemed "at-risk" because of academic or behavioral shortcomings, a contract will be put in place, signed by the teacher team, administration, the student and their adult(s).

Consequences of misbehaviors defined by our PBIS standards are:

1. Warning
2. Tiered intervention and parent contact
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5. Office Referral

Use of Lockers:

Granite Falls Middle School will issue students lockers in their homeroom class. Students are responsible for purchasing combination locks if desired. Students should keep a lock on their locker to prevent theft and/or damage to personal items. Students should only share lock combinations with their homeroom teacher. Any locker without a combination lock will be cut off if the locker needs to be opened. The school is not responsible for replacing the destroyed student lock.

Cell Phones and Electronic Devices:

Students must turn off cell phones/electronic devices (including smart watches) and place them in their assigned locker before reporting to homeroom each morning. Students will not be permitted to access cell phones/electronic devices again until the last bell of the school day unless directed by school staff. This includes use in restrooms, hallways, lockers, etc.

Contact Information:

Email: cquinn@caldwellschools.com
GFMS: 828-396-2341

The best ways to contact me are email or through Talking Points, which is a texting app (free on all devices) that links with Powerschool.

My parents and I have read the information sheet. We understand the commitment that this class requires and will do our best to maintain that commitment.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____
Parent's Signature _____ Date _____