**Mr. Solis’s English Class**

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Materials

**Everyone needs:**

1.3-ring binder (1 ½” or 2”) This needs to be a separate binder for only English class.

2. Spiral bound notebook

3. Pens/pencils

4. Box of tissues

**The items below will be turned in for ALL students to use. Everyone will share these 6 items throughout the year.**

**Block 2/3**- thin tip/skinny markers, scissors, and a bag of candy

**Block 4/5**- thick markers and 2 glue sticks, and a bag of candy

**Block 6/7**- colored pencils, 2 highlighters, and a bag of candy

You are expected to bring the following materials to class everyday.

* **Pens/pencils**
* **SSR Book**
* **Novel currently being read**
* **One subject spiral notebook**
* **Spriral bound notebook**
* **1large 3-ring binder**
* **Loose-leaf paper**

**Extra** I would also recommend that you have a flashdrive. I will tell you when you will need to bring this to class.

**SUSTAINED SILENT READING (SSR)** In this class, SSR takes place at the beginning of class every day for the first 15 minutes of class. However, I expect you to bring your reading book every day in case you finish classwork early or if there is an unexpected schedule change (i.e. 2 hour delay, ISTEP, etc.) For most of the year, you will be able to choose whatever book you would like for SSR time. We will visit the library periodically to exchange books.

**SAT VOCABULARY** These words and their definitions will be copied onto a provided sheet on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday; we will review these words on Thursday. The sheet that is provided is to remain in your 3-ring binder under the section titled “Vocabulary”. SAT Vocabulary quizzes will occur after every nine words assigned. If you happen to come across a SAT vocabulary word during class, then I will give you a piece of candy. ☺

Scheduled Activities

Grading Scale

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The following percentages are relative to your total grade for the class.

**Homework 10%**

**Major Assessments 60%**

**Minor Assessments 30 %**

**Total**  **100%**



**HALL PASSES** You are allotted **three** hall passes to use every nine weeks. These must be kept track of using your agenda. Once all three passes are used, you will receive a lunch detention for leaving the room.

**TURNING IN ASSIGNMENTS** Unless I give you specific instructions, all assignments will be turned in to the series of trays labeled “In”. Assignments should all be completed in pencil or blue or black pen only. Papers should be clearly marked with first and last name, date, and block period.

**ABSENT WORK** When you are absent, you are responsible for making up your work. Please check the folders located on the table in front of the classroom for your class’s assignments and handouts. You have as many days as you were absent in order to make up the work.

**TARDIES** If you are ever tardy to class without a pass from a teacher or administrator, your name will be entered into the system. If you are tardy three times, you will serve a lunch detention.

In order to be successful in this class, you must come prepared to learn every day. Your success is dependent on you following the Warrior Way.

* BE PRESENT
* BE PRO-ACTIVE
* BE RESPONSIBLE
* BE RESPECTFUL
* BE POSITIVE

If your behavior in this class does not reflect these five pillars of Clark-Pleasant Middle School, you can expect to receive the following consequences, so please make good choices during our time together.

**1: Verbal warning**

**2: Verbal warning, parent contact, log**

**3: Verbal warning, parent contact, log, meeting with an administrator**

Policies

Expectations

Student Name (Printed): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Reading

During the 2015-2016 school year, we will be reading and discussing several fictional and nonfictional books.

**English 8th**

*The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins

*Animal Farm* by George Orwell

*Warriors Don’t Cry* by Melba Beals

**8th Advanced**

*Night* Elie by Wiesel

*Warriors Don’t Cry* by Melba Beals

*My Name is Asher Lev* by Chaim Potok

Each class will also complete a short story unit consisting of works written by multiple well-known authors.

Block: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parents,

Please detach this section and have your child return it to me by **Monday, August 1**. Below, please let me know any additional information about your child that may be helpful as we embark on our school year together. Also, I would ask that you and your child sign it at the bottom, acknowledging that you are aware of the expectations –both academic and behavioral-that are placed on them as students in my class. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions or concerns.

Best Regards,

Mr. Solís

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Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_