Ms. Chappell

9th Grade English I Syllabus

COURSE DESCRIPTION

To ensure that our student are college and career ready, the teacher will utilize the following strategies in the English I classroom: analysis of complex texts, use of Cornell notes, utilization of Costa’s questions, argumentative writing, Socratic Seminars, and Philosophical Chairs. These strategies will facilitate and support organizational and critical thinking skills inside, as well as outside the classroom.

CLASS RULES

(1)Be in your seat and quiet before the tardy bell rings. (2)Be prepared with appropriate class materials. (3)Refrain from eating, drinking, and/or chewing gum. (4)Keep the room neat and clean. (5)Refrain from disrupting the class in any way. (6)Respect others at all times.

BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

Students are expected to follow all rules and procedures set forth by the teacher, as well as maintain appropriate classroom behavior. When a student does not follow these guidelines, the teacher will issue consequences following Cordova High School’s Progressive Discipline policies.

PLAGIARISM/CHEATING

Plagiarism, taking another person’s work or ideas and presenting them as one’s own, will not be tolerated. Because plagiarism is considered stealing, the student will receive a zero on the assignment. Cheating on any assignment will also result in zeros for all guilty parties.

CONTACT

The best way to contact me is through email chappellk@scsk12.org.

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\*I have read and understand the rules, procedures, and consequences in English I class.

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Parent Signature Student Name **(PRINT)**

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Parent Contact Number or Email Student Signature

GRADE CALCULATIONS/LATE WORK PROCEDURES

Class assignments are weighted by the following percentages: Assessments (40%), Participation (20%), Classwork (15%), Quizzes (15%), Homework (10%). Late work will be penalized, so if work is late – unexcused – the maximum percentage earned will be 70% prior to scoring.

HOMEWORK

Homework will be completed on the CommonLit website. Students must complete two assignments posted on the website every two weeks. Other homework may be given as needed. Students will receive a tutorial and printed instructions for creating a CommonLit account and regularly using the website.

MAKEUP WORK

If a student needs makeup work due to an absence, it is their responsibility to check the absent student folder for copies of classwork and the calendar to see if anything was collected for a grade. Students must make their work up in a reasonable amount of time (absent 1 day = 2 days to makeup).

TUTORING DAYS/HOURS

My tutoring days are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 2:15-3:30. Students may receive help with work for my class, make up tests/quizzes, or complete homework during tutoring hours.

CLASS WEBSITE

My class website is constantly updated with classwork, homework, reminders, and more! Check it and PowerSchool often to keep track of student grades and work.

Website: mskchappell.weebly.com