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English 10 Writing – Syllabus
Fall 2010
B104

Dear Parents:

Welcome to the 2010-2011 school year. I am looking forward to a pleasant and productive school year with your student. The following syllabus outlines the classroom rules, grading system, behavior expectations, and requirement for this class. Please contact me at any time regarding the information on this syllabus or any questions you may have about the class. My contact information is listed below.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation. Please sign the bottom of the syllabus indicating that you are knowledgeable of the requirements of English 10. Again, I am looking forward to working with your student.

Objectives for this class include: reading, writing, researching, vocabulary, and preparation for the High School Assessment Program. The HSAP test is required for graduation.

General Expectations and Class Outline

Grading:

(Total Points grading scale – everything totals 100 points)

Unit Test—three times in the grade book

Vocabulary Test/Writing— two times in the grade book

Essay— three times in the grade book

Daily class work— one time in the grade book

Homework— one time in the grade book

Quiz— one time in the grade book

Project – three times in the grade book

Journal/Portfolio – one time in grade book

Research Paper – four times in grade book

Units of Study:

- HSAP Preparation
- Persuasive Writing
- Descriptive Writing
- Creative Writing
- Expository Writing
- Narrative Writing
- Novel
- Play
- Poetry
- Short Story
- Vocabulary

Make-up Work and Attendance:

According to Dorman High School's policy (located in the student handbook), students are allowed 5 absences in each class. When a student is absent he or she is responsible for the work missed. Make-up work can be discussed with students before or after school or before or after class. It is not possible to give out missed assignments during class. Students have one week (5 school days) to complete make-up work.

Late Work Policy:

Major assignments will be accepted late and 10 points a day will be deducted from final grade. Daily homework assignments are due on the due date and will not be accepted late.

Classroom Expectations:

- Students will be in their desks and ready to begin when the tardy bell rings.
- Students will have appropriate text, paper, and writing instrument.
- Cheating is not tolerated.
- Students who have been absent are responsible for make-up assignments.
- Students will remain in their seats until the end-of-class bell rings.
- Students must treat each other and the teacher with respect.
- Students are not allowed food and drinks in the classroom.
- Students should not use class time for personal grooming. (no brushes, make-up, etc.)
- Students will be given one warning for discipline. After the warning, parents will be informed of behavior problems. A discipline referral will follow according to Dorman High School's handbook.
- Students will be given 5 restroom passes for the semester.
- All purses and bags cannot be on top of a desk and must be kept on the floor.
- Cell phones are not allowed at school. Please refer to the student handbook for discipline actions regarding cell phones.
- If a student is sent to ISS, the student will be escorted by a principal and a discipline referral is automatic.

Extra Help:

I am available for extra help on Wednesday mornings at 7:30am. Appointments need to be scheduled and maintained so that both student and teacher are in attendance. The student will meet me in the classroom at the scheduled time. A wait time of 10 minutes is expected for both parties. A different time can be scheduled if necessary.

Contact:

I am available for phone calls and conferences before and after school. Please contact me if you have any questions at 582-4347. You may also email me at Mullmahl@spart6.org

Please sign and return this syllabus by Wednesday, August 18, 2010.

(Student Signature)

(Parent Signature)

I find that email is often an easy way to communicate with parents regularly. If possible, please list your home or office email address or phone number(s) below so I may contact you regarding grades, attendance, or due dates throughout the semester.

(Parent Email Address or Phone Number)

Thanks in advance for your cooperation,
Heather Mullman
Dorman High School