## ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 8

Ms. Wenstrom-Room 809


This course will follow Common Core objectives for writing, vocabulary, reading, and grammar. These areas are important to master so you will represent yourself well in the areas of reading, writing, listening, and speaking in your daily lives and future professional careers.

Class Expectations: You will be expected to come to class prepared and willing to listen attentively. You can count on lots of small group work, editing work in groups, and even some acting!

Materials: Each student must bring text, notebook, pencil, and a novel to read in case there is time to read.

## Academic Responsibility :

1. Arrive to class on time; begin bell work once seated.
2. Come prepared by having all materials ready at the start of the class. (Students who come to class without materials will have no way to participate in class.)
3. You learn when you are on task, please stay on task. Ask questions when you do not understand.
4. Respect others in our class. There will be immediate consequences if this responsibility is not taken seriously.
5. It is your responsibility to be in your assigned desk when the bell rings. If you are not there, you are tardy.

Extra Help: Let me know if you want to meet before or after school for additional help. Just make an appointment with me so I will be in my room at that time. Remember the time to get help is immediately, not after an assignment is due. Email me from home if necessary. Jamie.Wenstrom@msd1.org

Book Review: One of the material requirements above states you must bring a novel to class in case you have time to read. A book review, using the form I have crafted, will be required every quarter (every 9 week period). This is why it is imperative that you always use extra time to read. Nationally, test scores are lower as a result of students not always comprehending what they read. Reading is required in EVERY class...it is not always done. Read, read, read!!! You will be surprised at how well you can answer questions! You will be surprised about how you start thinking about other things or how some things tie in with others. Your novel must be at least 100 pages! You must have it with you at all time.

As a parent/guardian, I understand the expectations of my child. I understand that I can call you at the school or send you an email if I am questioning anything.

Parent/Guardian
Student

