

**7th Grade Language Arts Course Syllabus  
Gilson Middle School  
2018-2019**

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**Rules:**

1. Be in your seat when the bell rings.
2. Bring book, notebook, pen and pencil every day.
3. Follow directions the first time.
4. Be respectful to everyone and everything.

**Course Description:** This year we will be learning basic grammar and writing skills. Students will work to enhance their language arts skills through the use of lessons consistent with Alaska State Standards. Students will be taught parts of speech and how to write simple and complex paragraphs and five paragraph papers.

**Assignments:** All assignments must be turned in by the given due date; they are due at the beginning of the class period on the due date unless the students are told otherwise.

**Homework:** Students will be given ample time in class to complete daily work. If the work is not finished during the class period, it will then be given as homework. Every student will be expected to have the assignment(s) completed and ready for class the next day or upon return. **Late work will be penalized 15% each day it is late.**

**Absences:** It is the student's responsibility to discuss with me as soon as they return from being absent to discuss a timeline to complete the work. Typical timeline for each day's absence is two days to make up work. If **pre-makeup work** is required for a planned absence, it is the student's responsibility to get the assignment and complete that work as per pre-travel requirements. If you have any questions, please email me.

**Grading:** Students will be graded in the following areas: participation, comprehension, grammar, writing, and homework. This will be cumulative to a total points scale. Each assignment or activity will be worth a certain number of points. My goal is to ensure student success, and to develop an appreciation for and a deeper curiosity for language arts.

**Extra Credit:** No extra credit will be offered.