



PIONEER | MIDDLE SCHOOL

Language Arts

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I can be reached by email from 8-3:30.

P5 in room 703

- Be **PROMPT**, in your seat ready to work when the tardy bell rings.
- Be **PREPARED**. Bring fully charged Chromebook, planner, paper, pens, and other needed materials to class everyday.
- Be **POSITIVE**. Use appropriate language and treat others with respect. Raise your hand and wait to be called on before speaking or moving around the room.
- Be **POLITE**. Keep your hands, feet, and objects to yourself. Listen carefully to all teacher instructions.
- Be **PRODUCTIVE**. All assignments will be neat, legible, and turned in on time. Enjoy refreshments at break and lunch only.

No student has the right to keep me from teaching and other students from learning due to his/her behavior. If you receive more than one step or a referral in the trimester, you will earn a citizenship grade of Standard Not Met.

Assignment Expectations

- Student work needs to be your own ideas and words. Plagiarism (copying and pasting from another source or work identical to another student's) will result in a zero for the assignment. Remember, collaborating is not copying! To avoid plagiarism, please put ideas into your own words when using an outside source and give credit to the source you used. If you plagiarize or copy an assignment you will receive "standard not met" for your citizenship grade that trimester.
- Standard English must be used (no text-speak) or the assignment will receive a low score.
- Please refer to the formatting cheat sheet to set up your work.

Grading Policy

- Late work will be accepted within the grading period only. A 10% penalty will be assessed on the score earned for the first three days and a 50% reduction up to the tenth day. After ten days, the assignment will no longer be accepted.
- Assignments will not be accepted after extended breaks (Thanksgiving, Winter, Spring).
- When an assignment is turned in to Google Classroom, StudySync, or any other digital platform after the due date, you must email me that it has been turned in.
- In case of absence, it is your responsibility to email me for missed work. You will have one school day for each day missed to submit assignments.

Supplies

- charged Chromebook and charger
- binder section for Language Arts
- lined binder paper
- earbuds (No AirPods or similar devices)
- blue or black and red ballpoint pens
- highlighters (pink, green, blue, orange)
- plastic page protectors