

Mr. Parks ELA Course Syllabus

Welcome to 6th Grade Language Arts! I'm looking forward to the 2017-2018 school year! Below you will find a few concepts and ideas that will help you be successful in my course this year. You will be successful in this class if you take care of your attitude, attendance, and effort. You may contact me any time at jparks@bathschoools.net, or message me on remind.

Classroom website: <https://sites.google.com/bath.k12.mi.us/parks/home>
(must be accessed with a bath.k12.mi.us domain ---student use)

Remind: Text: 81010, Message: @7ad432

Suggested Materials for Class:

- 3 -Ring Binder
- Pencil(s)
- Erasers
- Homework Folder
- Highlighters
- Loose Paper

Classroom Behavior Expectations:

1. **Be Positive.** Teasing, speaking negatively about each other, arguing, or complaining is not allowed.
2. **Be Polite.** Respect the equipment, people, and furnishings of Room 10. Do not go behind the teacher's desk or podium.
3. **Be Productive.** Continue working until the bell rings.

Classroom Norms:

1. Any assessment can be retaken one time during the nine week quarter. The teacher will make time slots available to be reassessed before or after school before the retake deadline. I am also available to help review content with the student before or after school before the retake upon request.
2. Generally speaking, students are not allowed to eat in class unless they have a specific accommodation that allows them to do so. I do, however, suggest students carry a water bottle and regularly stay hydrated throughout the day!
3. Students are given three "bathroom" or "hallway" passes for each nine week quarter. They are given extra credit points for any passes they didn't use that are

- turned in at the end of the quarter. Once these are used, unless an emergency occurs, students are expected to remain in the classroom for the rest of class.
4. Cell phones are not permitted in class. In the event I choose to use them for educational purposes, I will make students aware of this in advance. Per our BMS handbook, if a “red light” is posted on my door (which it constantly is), their cell phones should be locked away in their lockers. If it becomes a distraction, I will confiscate it and give it back to the student at the end of my class and give a warning. If it happens twice, it will be given to the office, a referral may be issued, and the parent or legal guardian may be asked to pick it up.
 5. YOU are responsible for material you miss when you’re absent. If you’re gone the day of an assessment or presentation, you will be expected to complete it immediately upon your return. There are plenty of online resources and announcements of upcoming projects or tests, so there’s no valid excuse for not appropriately being prepared.

Grading Policies:

Grades in my class will be updated regularly in PowerSchool. I have two grading categories for assignments. Formative assessments include classwork, worksheets, and homework, and will count toward 25% of the student’s overall grade. Summative assessments include projects, papers (written examinations), presentations, and tests, and will count toward 75% of the student’s overall grade.

Thanks for reading, and again I’m incredibly humbled and excited to be given the opportunity to work with your child this year!

Kindly,

Mr. Jordan Parks

Student Information Survey

Student Name: _____

Parents and Legal Guardians,

Please list any information below you would like me to know in regards to your child's past education habits, things they are interested in, or extracurriculars they are involved in inside and outside of school.

How to Contact You If I Need To Get In Touch (see backside as well)

Contact #1 (First and Last Name Please): _____

Phone Number (Home): _____

Phone Number (Cell): _____

Phone Number (Work): _____

Email: _____

Any Additional Information about how or when to contact you (i.e. NEVER at work, you may text me if necessary, please don't call after 7pm, etc.)?

Contact #2 (First and Last Name Please): _____

Phone Number (Home): _____

Phone Number (Cell): _____

Phone Number (Work): _____

Email: _____

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