Emily C. Reynolds Middle School English Language Arts 2021-2022

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COURSE OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION:

- To read and comprehend all genres: stories, novels, poetry and nonfiction
- To understand and use academic vocabulary, isolated vocabulary and vocabulary in the context of the text
- To use grammar correctly in order to write coherent essays, book reports, reading responses, and projects
- To participate in class discussions/ group assignments
- To learn how to conduct research using MLA citations
- To learn how to write coherent well-contructed essays
- To learn how to collaborate with classmates to develop projects/essays
- To learn how to peer edit and give constructive criticism to improve writing

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TEXTS: (Online version)

• Into Literature HMH Grade 8

NOVELS:

- *Night* by Elie Wiesel
- *The Pigman* by Paul Zindel
- *The Outsiders* by S.E. Hinton

PLATFORMS:

- G- Suite Enterprise- slides, classroom, email, meet, docs, calendar, sheets, forms
- Remind
- Flip grid
- I-ready
- Link-it
- Newsela
- Noodle Tools
- Common Lit

(More platforms TBD as year progresses)

GRADING:

• Summative: 50%

(Grammar, Literature Comprehension Tests, Essays, Projects)

• Formative :40%

(Vocabulary Quizzes, Reading Responses, Google Classroom Work)

• Individual practice: 10% (Homework, Classwork)