## English 11B Syllabus

## Class Information:

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Class Dates	January 14- April 23 Tuesday/Thursday 11 AM - 1:00PM

Course Description: Students will elevate their reading, writing, and thinking skills.

The goal of this course is to transform students into independent thinkers, who use writing and reading to understand themselves and the world around them.

We'll be doing a close reading of informational texts, a variety of writing projects. Students will work on improving their listening and speaking skills by working with partners and small groups, and by participating in whole class discussions.

<u>Required Materials:</u> We are going to be using Google Classroom this semester, so you will need a computer and internet access on a regular basis. If you don't have a computer at home, make arrangements with me in order to complete your independent work.

We will be doing some assignments on paper. It's your responsibility to have those assignments completed and bring them to class.

## Course Requirements and Classroom Expectations

1. Be on time	Students should be on time and in their seats with all class materials.
	From 11:00pm-11:15AM, I will display our journal prompt for that day. If you're here right at 11:00AM, you'll have enough time to fully complete your journal. At 11:15AM we'll be moving on to our lesson and no students will be admitted to class.

Be respectful and courteous to others	Please respect everyone and yourself. Our class should be a place to explore different ways of thinking and sharing personal views and experiences without judgement or negativity.
3. No cell phones	As a participant of the class, you must turn your phone in to me at the beginning of class. It will be returned promptly to you when class is over.

## Attendance and Make-up Policy

Attendance is EXTREMELY important! We will be learning content you will need to know in order to do well in class and beyond. If you are absent, YOU are responsible for finding out what you missed from me or a classmate. If you are out due to an illness or family emergency, please arrange with me when you may turn in work and make up tests.

Excused Absence	Note, phone call, remind, or email from parent/guardian and/or doctor indicating an illness or family emergency
	BEFORE class begins
Unexcused Absences	We'll go with a 3 strikes policy this semester.
	1st unexcused absence: warning
	2nd unexcused absence: additional warning and call home
	3rd unexcused absence: uh ohgood luck w/the workbooks

<u>Plagiarism:</u> Plagiarism is using another person's words and ideas and presenting them as your own.

If you use someone's ideas or words, you must use quotes or cite their work. Failure to do so is the same as stealing/cheating.

Grading will include:	Grading scale:
Classwork, Homework, Performance Tasks,	100%-90% =A
Tests, Participation, Article of the weeks, and	89%-80%= B
Attendance	79%-70%=C
	Must redo unit if grade is under a 70%