

Creative Writing

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MISS HESSAMI

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COURSE

Creative Writing is an elective course where students can explore their writing capabilities in a workshop environment. The exercises and formal pieces completed in this course will facilitate an improvement in the fluidity, cohesiveness and depth of their writing, both in and outside of the classroom. Students will learn to revise their work using concrete, sensory details and appropriate choice of diction, syntax, purpose, and audience.

COURSE MATERIALS:

- Pen/Pencil
- A Charged Chromebook

All other class materials will be provided!

PLAGIARISM / USE OF AI

Plagiarism is taking credit for ANY work that is not your own. This includes: work from a friend, work from online, and use of ANY AI tool (QuillBot, ChatGPT, etc.)

ANY amount of use of an AI tool (even if it is just for part of an assignment) will result in disciplinary actions.

POLICY PER THE NMHS STUDENT HANDBOOK:

Academic dishonesty in ANY form is considered a serious offense. NMHS administration will address academic dishonesty the way we discipline any other flagrant violation of school rules or district policy, which may include suspension and a meeting with district administration. Parents will be contacted. As an academic institution, meeting the learning objectives is a primary focus.

ELA GRADING SCALE:

WRITING 40% READING 30% SPEAKING/LISTENING 20% CLASSWORK/HOMEWORK 10%

LATE WORK:

Students are provided with ample in-class work time. Because of this, students are expected to have their work done & completed by all deadlines in order to properly participate in class discussions.

CLASS PARTICIPATION:

This class is discussion based. Students are expected to be prepared to participate & engage in class conversations.



THIS CLASSROOM OPERATES ON A STRICT POLICY OF MUTUAL RESPECT!

Respect for yourself, your work, your peers, and your teacher! It is important to me that all of my students feel safe and comfortable in this classroom.



CELL PHONES

- Students are permitted to listen to music during silent, independent work time. However, this is a privilege not a right! Cell phones must be put away for the duration of the class.
- Students might be asked to put their phones away in a designated "cell phone holder" if it is a recurring problem in class.

ATTENDANCE/TARDY POLICY

- Students are expected to arrive to class on time. Students should be in their seats & ready to learn at the bell.
- If a student is absent, they are responsible for making up any missing notes and/or work by reaching out to a peer or Miss Hessami after class. Most assignments & notes will be posted to Google Classroom.

I AM *ALWAYS* HERE TO HELP YOU SUCCEED. MY DOOR IS ALWAYS OPEN AND YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME HERE.

I CAN'T WAIT TO HAVE A GREAT YEAR WITH YOU!

















Print Student Name	Period
I have read, understand, and agree to all of the above information.	
Student Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date

PLEASE NOTE: "The best laid schemes of mice and men go often awry" (Robert Burns)
In other words... this syllabus is subject to change!

