

Welcome to English WASL 11! In order to earn a diploma all public high school students are expected to meet new statewide requirements. The goal: More students better prepared to become responsible citizens, to contribute to their own economic well-being and to that of their families and communities, and to enjoy productive and satisfying lives. To that end, English WASL 11 strives to help you be successful in meeting standard. Additionally, we will focus on American Literature and communication skills through reading, writing and speaking. Expect there to be homework every night – reading, writing—journals, essays, vocabulary/grammar practice and speech preparation. I will provide an agenda for you every two weeks. Use it! Developing communication skills through reading, writing and speaking will occur through active participation and the willingness and desire to learn. I am looking forward to that happening in our classroom! Please take care in reading through the Classroom Expectations. As you can see, my attendance policy is strict, and I won't tolerate nonparticipation in class and on assignments. I want you to succeed! Put forth your best effort and you will acquire new skills and have a great year in English WASL 11.

PREPARATION

Come to class prepared! Have your materials (notebook, textbook, paper, pen, etc.) and completed homework. **You are required to keep a 3-ring binder.** Please section your notebook as follows:

1. Agendas (Your schedule of upcoming work; this paper should be right in front)
2. Journals
3. Assignments
4. Class Notes and handouts
5. Returned Work (in chronological order)

ATTENDANCE

Each class session is an experience for the learner that is impossible to recreate. I do not recommend that you miss *any* class days. However, if you are absent and it is excused, you are responsible for the work you missed. Please refer to your class agenda for journal topic, information and assignments missed. Handouts will be in the folder of your class bin. *Note- Any assignments that were due the day you were absent are due by the second day you return regardless of the number of days you were out. Tests/quizzes need to be made up within one week of your return or no credit will be given.*

In concordance with the *Student Handbook* for Eatonville High School, **in order to receive credit, students must attend 81 out of the 90 class sessions in a semester. This means that you must not miss more than 9 days in one semester whether excused or not.** With that in mind, know that after 9 absences you may not be allowed the privilege of turning in any make-up work for absences that occur after 9.

GRADING

All assignments will be given a numerical value, which will be listed on your agenda. In order to receive credit, you must turn in all assignments on time. **I DO NOT ACCEPT LATE WORK.**

CLASSROOM RULES/CONSEQUENCES

All school-wide rules will apply in this room!

1. **BE PREPARED.** Come to class on time and bring your notebook, pen, paper and homework daily.
2. **RESPECT SELF, OTHERS AND PROPERTY.** Please no hats or sunglasses in class. Cell phones are not allowed to be seen or heard.
3. **LISTEN, FOLLOW DIRECTIONS AND PARTICIPATE.** Listen attentively when directions are given. Listen when someone else has the floor. Take responsibility; be involved in your own learning.

Not meeting classroom expectations will result in disciplinary action. Consequences will be: verbal warning, teacher conference with student and/or parent, in class referral, Thursday school, ISS/OSS.

Please keep your classroom expectations in the front of your English 11 3-ring binder!