

10th Grade English

Mr. Miller

English and Literature play a very large role in each of our lives. As a teacher I want to help my students understand that role, and see how it can influence their lives for the better. It is my hope to make this an interactive class where students feel comfortable to share their thoughts and ideas. I feel students can learn as much or more from their peers as they can from listening to me.

I am prepared to help any students who are falling behind or not understanding the class curriculum in any way I can. I will be at the school no later than 7:30 A.M. and will stay until at least 3:00 P.M. If those times aren't convenient you can call me at the school at 489-2870 between 7:30 and 7:45 in the morning, or between 2:45 and 3:00 in the afternoon to make an appointment.

I am very excited to have you in my class this year and expect it to be a great experience for all of us. I will do my best to teach in a very understanding and meaningful way. And I expect you to be attentive and put forth your best effort in class.

Expectations

Success in the classroom depends on respect: Respect me, your classmates, and yourself. This means that you will:

- Be in your assigned seat **WHEN THE BELL RINGS.**
- Bring all of the required materials to class **EVERY DAY.**
- No cheating. Cheating will result in a zero
- Raise your hand when you want to speak, and wait for me to call on you.
- Use appropriate language.
- Leave your seating area cleaner than you found it.
- I would like students to police each other and me with regard to the class rules.

Policies

Late Work

At the end of each day I will write on the board the things we did that day. If you are absent, read the board and get any assignments out of the assignment box. If you have further questions, talk to me after class. After an absence you have one class period to turn in your work, after that you lose 50% from the assignment. When the assignment is no longer on the board it is too late to turn in.

Hall Passes

Each student will receive two hall passes to be used sparingly for the term, once they are gone, they are gone.

Extra Credit

There will not be any substantial possibilities for extra credit. A few points may be given for unused mercy cards or hall passes, so if you want a good grade be attentive and do your work when you are supposed to.

Required Materials

The following materials must be brought to class every day:

- Reading book in class every day
- Loose-leaf paper, not paper to be torn out of spiral notebooks
- Pen, blue or black ink

Grades

Grading Scale

90 to 100 = A- or A
80 to 89 = B-, B, or B+
70 to 79 = C-, C, or C+
60 to 69 = D-, C, or D+

Grade Breakdown

70% Assignments and tests
20% Attendance
10% Reading

My tenth grade classes will be reading *Into the Wild*, by John Krakaur. This book has a couple instances of language that parents should be aware of. We will also be watching a version of the movie that has been edited to the rating of PG. If you have any concerns about this please make a note for me below and I will make accommodations.

Parents:

I look forward to this school year with your children, and I expect that we will all enjoy our experience. Please read through all of this class information with your student so that you will both be aware of the class policies and expectations. At the bottom of this page please include your E-mail address if you have one. That is the easiest way for me to contact you with any positive feedback or concerns I may have about your child. Please feel free to contact me by E-mail (brett.miller@nebo.edu) or by phone (489-2870) between 7:30 and 7:45 in the morning, or between 2:45 and 3:00 in the afternoon with any questions or concerns.

Thank You

Brett Miller

Student Signature

By signing you are saying that you have read this disclosure document and understand the expectations, consequences, and policies of this class. You are also saying that you will cooperate and achieve the expectations that have been explained for the class.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

I have read and understand the expectations, consequences, and policies explained in this disclosure document and agree to accept them.

Parent Signature

E-mail Address

Questions, Comments or
Concerns: _____
