7th Grade ELA—Dr. Lee

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Course Description

Seventh grade ELA is a course designed to strengthen communication skills including reading, writing, spelling, vocabulary, usage, listening, and speaking. We will build strong, positive relationships while mastering our course objectives. (And have some fun too)!

Classroom Guidelines

- Be in my assigned seat **before** the bell rings.
- Have all materials needed for class activities.
- Do not disturb, distract, or disrupt class activities or other students.
- Turn in work on time to receive full credit.
- Show high regard and respect to teachers, staff, other students, myself, and classroom objects/materials.
- Do not bring non-educational items or food/drinks into the classroom.

Consequences

I understand that **I choose my actions**, and will be held responsible for my behavior. I understand that if I fail to make good choices, I can expect the following possible consequences:

- Verbal redirect by the teacher.
- A new seat.
- Sent to a buddy classroom.
- Parental contact.
- An office referral.
- * A referral for <u>any</u> misbehavior/disrespect while a substitute teacher is in the room.

Procedures

- Use the restroom and water fountain **before** or **after** class.
- Have all materials prepared and ready to go before class (such as sharpened pencils).
- You are tardy if you are not in your seat before the bell rings.
- Start immediately on bell work upon entering class. Work hard from bell-to-bell.
- Raise your hand and be recognized before you speak.
- Remain in your assigned seat during class unless given permission.

Classroom Work

- ALL work should be kept in a 3-ring binder or turned in to the designated class tray.
- Use only college ruled paper for all composition writing and work.
- All work must be written in complete sentences to receive credit.
- All work is to be your own—no copying or sharing answers. This will result in zero credit.
- All work is to be turned in on time. Late work is subject to reduction in credit.
- Please come talk to me if you feel like you need extra help- It's what I'm here for! We can set up a time to meet.

^{*}Emergency procedures are located by the door.

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Make-Up Work

- All missed assignments should be made up.
- You will have one day for each day that you are absent to complete the work.
- Check the assignment tray for your class at the front of the room for missed assignments.
- Students are responsible for getting, completing, and turning in missed assignments.
- Students are responsible for making arrangements for missed tests/quizzes upon returning to class.
- All make-up work will be turned in to the class appropriate tray.

Grading Scale

The grading scale used for this class will follow the scale developed and adopted by the school district. (See your student planner.)

Supplies List

Bring the following to class every day:

- Red pens
- Pencils
- Pink or white eraser
- Small pencil bag/supply holder to store pens, pencils, and eraser
- One 3-ring binder (1 ½ inch) for ELA only- Kept in the classroom
- College ruled, loose-leaf, notebook paper
- 5 tab dividers
- 10 pack of markers (girls) or 12 pack of colored pencils (boys) -Kept in the classroom for projects
- *Since this is the time of year when prices are usually the most competitive, you might want to purchase extra paper, pens, and pencils to save for use later in the school year.
- **Please bring these supplies to class by Monday, August 26th. If finances are a concern, please visit with me to work something out.

Acknowledgment

I understand the consequences listed above may not be followed according to the severity and/or frequency of the behavior I demonstrate. I also understand the expectations and procedures I am required to follow to help maintain a positive learning environment for everyone.

Student name (printed)	
Student signature	 Date

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Parent signature