

## **Course Syllabus and Outline: English I**

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**Course Description:** This course concentrates on a general review of grammar with emphasis upon usage. Strong attention will be given to the development of composition and critical reading skills. Vocabulary development and outside reading will complement this course of study. Literature study will be supported by composition. Literary emphasis includes the short story, novel, drama, and poetry.

**Course Objectives:** Students will improve language skills through the continued study of grammar, usage, mechanics, and vocabulary. They will read extensively in multiple genres from world literature such as reading selected stories, dramas, novels, and poetry. Students will learn literary forms and terms associated with literature selections read. They will plan, draft, and complete written compositions on a regular basis.

**Course Materials:** composition notebook and laptop ( both provided ), pen or pencil, three ring binder

**Grading Policy:** Every six weeks will consist of at least three major grades ( 60% of grade ) and seven daily ones ( 40% of grade ). All assignments may be corrected for either a 70 if failed or an extra five points if passed. Late work will be accepted anytime before the end of the six weeks, minus ten points per day late and a highest grade of 50 after five days.

### **Teacher Expectations:**

- 1) Come in and begin working on the warm-up.
- 2) Talk at requested voice levels.
- 3) Listen for attention getting signals.
- 4) Learn something new or fine tune previous knowledge.