

Class Rules and Procedures – Medsker—English III & Speech

1. All school rules as presented in your student handbook apply.
2. Respect your classmates and all school personnel.
3. Arrive to class on time and be prepared with the necessary materials. (See rules regarding tardies and needed materials.)
4. Do not eat or drink. No food or drinks are allowed in lockers or hallways per school policy as well.
6. No purses or backpacks are allowed in the classrooms. This is a school-wide policy.
7. You must have your own student planner to serve as a hall pass when requesting to leave the classroom for any reason. This is a school-wide policy.
8. Cheating in any way **is not tolerated**. You will receive a ZERO for the assignment, test, quiz, or speech on which you cheated. If you allow someone to copy your work, you will also receive a ZERO. Per school policy, detention(s) will be issued, and parental contact will occur.
9. Pre-Excused Absences -- If you are going to be gone on a field trip, vacation, or to an appointment, it is your responsibility to find out your assignments in advance. Your work is due as soon as you return to class, or it will be considered late and deducted 50%.
10. Make-up Tests/Quizzes/Speeches – It is your responsibility to secure a pass from me to come to my room during Activity Period to make up these items due to an absence.
11. Do your personal best.
12. Classroom cell phone/tablet/electronic device policies adhere to the handbook rules—NO USE IN CLASS WITHOUT TEACHER PERMISSION!

GRADE BREAK-DOWN

English grades will be determined based on the following formula:

60% Tests/Quizzes/Writing/Journals/Read theory (online)/noredink.com

30% Class Work/Homework/Participation/Attendance

10% AR (20 points per quarter for college level and 12 points per quarter for regular level. All tests must be taken in my room, and you must sign in when taking them. I will enter the appropriate login and password. Tests not taken in my room with me logging you in will NOT count. You will also be required to complete a Book Review for each book. AR points will only be counted at 50% value if you fail to complete a Book Review.

Speech grades use the following formula:

65% Speeches/Outlines

35% Tests/Quizzes/Homework/Participation/Attendance

GRADING POLICY

Scale:

93 -100 = A

85 – 92 = B

74 – 84 = C

66 – 73 = D

0 – 65 = F

LATE GRADES

Late assignments will receive an automatic 50% deduction. Turn your work in on time. Work more than five days late will not be accepted.

Materials Needed Every Day

- 1. Paper**
- 2. 3-Ring Binder with folder (English class only)** – This will be used daily for journal writing class work, notes, writing, etc.. Keep everything in this binder and folder to keep track of your grades and to show me an assignment in case I have entered it in the gradebook incorrectly.
- 3. Textbook**
- 4. Workbook** (English only)
- 5. Your Assignment** – Always label each assignment in the upper right hand corner with the following: Name (first and last), Date, Period, and Description of the Assignment. Incorrect labels will have points deducted.
- 6. Student Planner** – Use this to keep track of your weekly assignments and tests/quizzes. This also serves as your hall pass.
- 7. Writing Utensils** – Please use pencil for quizzes and tests.
- 8. Students who do not bring the required materials will have participation points deducted.**

TARDY RULES

1. You are tardy if you are not in your seat by the time the bell rings.
2. A detention will be given upon receiving your third tardy as per the school handbook rules. Additional tardies may result in office referrals and assignment to Saturday School.
3. If you forget your assignment in your locker and ask to retrieve it, this will count as a tardy. If you opt not to get the assignment and turn it in later instead, then it will be deducted by 50%.
4. Students who are tardy to class will have participation points deducted.

ABSENT/MAKE-UP WORK

1. Absent/Make-Up work is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY!!
2. See me as soon as you return to school to find out what you missed.
3. You have the number of days you were absent to make up the missed work for full credit. After that the late homework rules apply.
4. Absent/Make-Up work more than one week late WILL NOT be accepted.

Please cut along the above line, then sign and return the following portion by Friday to Mrs. Medsker for a homework grade:

I have read and understand the classroom rules and procedures for Mrs. Medsker's classroom.

_____ (Student's Signature)

_____ (Parent's/Guardian's Signature)