Seventh Grade ELA
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Course Description:
In seventh grade English Language Arts, we will learn to analytically evaluate, cite evidence from, and comprehend literature and informational text. In addition, we will conduct research to gather relevant evidence for writing, presentations, and discussions. We will also compose more advanced pieces of writing for narrative, expository, and argumentative purposes with correctness and advanced writing skills.

Big Ideas:
1. Reading causes reflection and can create change.
2. Think before you speak or write.
3. Support your position with evidence from text or media.
4. There is a right way to write!
5. Know your purpose for writing and speaking and adjust.
6. Questioning is important when you read.
7. Revise what you write. Nothing is perfect the first time.
8. Technology can be used to provide research and enhance presentations.

ELO	Essential Learner Outcome Description	Standards
1	I will analyze literature for literary elements and cite evidence to support my conclusions (plot, conflict, characterization, theme, setting, point of view)	7. RL.1A, 7.RL.1C, 7.RL.1D, 7.RL.2, 7.RL.3
2	I will draw conclusions, make inferences, and analyze the central idea, point of view, purpose, or meaning of an informational text or media and cite evidence to support my thoughts.	7. RI.1A, 7.RI.1C, 7.RI.1D, 7.RI.2
3	I will compare text to text or media (ex. Historical text to fictional text, connections between paintings/photos and text, or film/video comparisons with text).	7.RL.3, 7.RI.3
4	I will use the writing process to write and publish different types of texts.	7.W.2,7.W.3
5	I will conduct research using both print and digital sources following a standard format for citation and avoiding plagiarism.	7.W.1, 7.W.3E
6	I will participate in discussions and analyze others' ideas, arguments, and opinions.	7.SL.1
7	I will present on a topic using good speaking skills and multimedia.	7.W.3E, 7.SL.2
8	I will use the correct mechanics of Standard English when writing and speaking.	7.W.3A, 7.W.3C
9	I will use context to understand and analyze vocabulary and expressions in text.	7.RL.1B, 7.RI.1B, 7.RL.2C, 7.RI.2C