

# English II

## Ms. Doyle & Mrs. Sommers Classroom Expectations

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The theme of this class is “**What is the relationship between the individual and society?**” We will explore that question throughout the year using five core pieces of literature: Laurie Halse Anderson’s *Twisted*, Jeannette Wall’s *The Glass Castle*, Ray Bradbury’s *Fahrenheit 451*, Shakespeare’s *The Tragedy of Julius Caesar*, and William Golding’s *Lord of the Flies*. Additionally, we will read short stories, plays and poetry, watch films, and more to analyze how characters and groups of characters influence each other.

### Activities & Grading

Activities will include quizzes, tests, daily assignments, group work, papers, presentations, and more. The grading scale is as follows: A = 90-100%, B = 80-89%, C = 70-79%, D = 60-69%. Your daily class work will be worth 60% of your overall semester grade, and major papers and presentations will be worth 25%. Your semester exam will make up the last 15% of your grade.

### Class Expectations

- Show respect to Ms. Doyle, Mrs. Sommers, and your classmates
- Come to class prepared every day and on time
- Complete daily activities and assignments and turn them in on time
- Show ownership of your learning
- Electronic devices must be out of sight during the class period
- Food and drinks other than water are not allowed in class
- All other school rules and consequences apply. Refer to your student handbook.

### Late Work

Late homework will be accepted for partial credit within a reasonable amount of time. For major assignments such as the papers and speeches you will receive 10% off for every day your work is late.

### Absences

**Excused:** If you are sick or absent for some other legitimate, unplanned reason, it is *your responsibility* the day you return to get the make up work from me, find out what you missed and make arrangements to hand in missing work. You will have the number of days you missed to make up the work for full credit. If you are going on a family vacation or a school field trip, it is your responsibility to make arrangements with me regarding work you will miss before the scheduled absence. If you do not do this, you will receive a zero on assignments you missed.

**Unexcused:** For unexcused absences, you may make up work from the day you missed but not for credit. Homework assignments missed will be counted as a zero.

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I have read the above document and understand its contents.

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