

# Creative Writing

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## Welcome

to Creative Writing

This class is geared toward enhancing your writing skills. That means in this class will include reading works of published authors; short writing warm-ups; experimenting with different writing techniques; and creating written pieces in as many different genres as we can fit into the year. By the end of the year you will have worked on several major projects, including a narrative essay, a piece of fiction, as well as varying forms of poetry and other literary mediums and structures.

### Expectations



Be on time



Bring a charged laptop/ charger every day



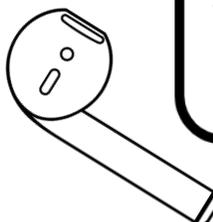
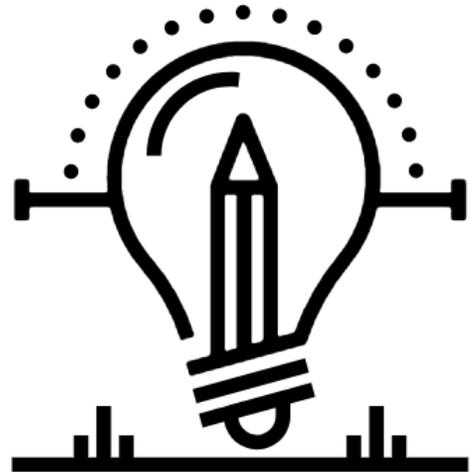
Food may only be eaten if distanced from others



Respect yourself, your peers  
(this includes opinions and property!)  
and school staff & property



Take responsibility for your own learning  
ie. ask for help on techniques or ideas,  
stay focused during work time given



**Phones need to be face down on the table or put away during lesson instruction and full group discussions.**

**A three strike policy will be enforced: One verbal warning to put down on the desk, second warning phone must be put in bag until instructed otherwise, third warning parents will be contacted.**

**Students may listen to music on their devices during independent work time as long as it does not distract from completing the assignment.**

cell phone policy



# Grades

and how they're weighted

## 20%

FORMATIVE

You are expected to participate in class. This means that you should come to class having read any assigned texts and completed any assigned work. If you come ready to share your thoughts, and ready to try new activities, this class will be much more interesting, lively, and fun.

Due to our lengthened classes, most work should be able to be completed in class. \*Do Nows are accounted for in this section\*

## 80%

SUMMATIVE

There will be times when we have large projects. They may be independent or group assignments. There will be large major writing assignments due at the end of each unit. You will be given a rubric or criteria for the specific assignment before you begin.

## Commonly Asked Questions

**What is the grading scale?**

90-100	A
80 - 89	B
70 - 79	C
60 - 69	D
0 - 59	F

**What is the late work policy?**

I am a huge believer in giving an effort, making mistakes, learning from them, and then trying again. I want the same thing for my students. I will only keep/ collect work that is worthy of a B or higher and will always allow a student to take the time and effort to better their grade/score.

**What is the plagiarism policy?**

As this class will involve writing, please make sure that you do not commit plagiarism in any of your assignments. Plagiarism is taking credit for someone else's work or using someone else's work without permission or citation. Plagiarism will not be tolerated in this class. You must complete all written work using your own ideas and language.