Welcome to English! I am glad we are together!

The Basics:

* **Homework** will be turned in on Google Classroom and sometimes in hard copy.
  + Google Classroom due dates will be posted.
  + Hard copies are expected as soon as you walk in the door on the due date.
* **Late Assignments** will not receive deducted points, but you may not receive feedback.
  + I will not accept any work turned in past the school-wide missing work deadlines.
  + Because I do not deduct points for late work, I will NOT give extra credit.
  + You are expected to complete the work the first time, to the best of your ability.
* **Bathrooms** may not be used during the *first* or *last* 10 minutes of class. Take the Hall Pass when you leave and return it. One student may use the bathroom at a time.
* You will read, write, discuss, ponder, and create throughout the year. The more you put into the class, the more you and your peers will take and enjoy the class.
* I am lighthearted, I care about you, and I want to have fun, but I also expect you to know when it’s time to learn and react thoughtfully.

Expectations:

* **Come to Class Prepared**: An English classroom is only as successful as its participants:
  + Prepared with the *content.* Prepared to *listen.* Prepared to *contribute.*
* **Phone Use**: Phones should be SILENT and put away. I will give you phone time.
* **Communication**: Please keep me informed - I cannot read your mind! If you are struggling with something, talk to me or email me. We will find a solution together!
* **Respect**: Show respect to yourself, to others, and to our shared space.
* **Attitude:** Everyday doesn’t have to be your best day, but it’s not okay to take that out on the people around you. This is true for me, too. Let’s do our best to offer our best.
* **Plagiarism:** All of your work needs to be your own. Any plagiarism - including use of AI - will result in a zero and be handled according to the Student Handbook.

Major Texts:

* *The Autobiography of Malcolm X* as told to Alex Haley
* *A Streetcar Named Desire* by Tennessee Williams
* **Personal Reading Book**. You are expected to have an outside reading book with you **every day**. We will have independent reading days most Fridays.

Materials:

* Notebook only for English
* Folder only for English
* Writing utensil
* Chromebook