**6th Grade Language Arts**

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“You can teach a student a lesson for a day; but if you can teach him to learn by creating curiosity, he will continue the learning process as long as he lives.” - C. P. Bedford

**Grading:**

Daily grades 15%

Quizzes 35%

Tests 50%

Grading Scale

A 93-100

B 85-92

C 75-84

D 70-74

F 69 & Below

**Required materials**: pencils, blue and red pen (for journal editing only), color pencils, notebook paper, 3-ring notebook, college or wide ruled composition journal

**Text**: *English 6*- BJU Press ($26.00 replacement fee)

**Course Content**: Students will continue to foster an appreciation of language as a gift from God while developing the use of correct grammar in both oral and written communication. While developing advanced vocabulary, students will also improve their comprehension skills in literary works.

* Grammar
  + Eight parts of speech
  + Punctuation rules
  + Capitulation rules
  + Recognizing and writing grammatically rich sentences
  + Diagraming
* Writing- Students will be keeping a writing portfolio for language. This will contain their essays and a research paper.
  + Personal narrative
  + Newspaper editorial
  + Research paper
  + Writing instructions
  + Historical fiction
  + Compare-contrast essay
  + Limericks & free verse

**Late Work Policy First Semester:**

Any assignment turned in after the teacher has collected the homework will be considered late. An “M” will be entered into the grade book to indicate that the assignment is missing. After three days a zero will be entered into the grade book, and the assignment will not be accepted for any credit.

* 1 day late= 20% off the graded assignment
* 2 days late= 50% off the graded assignment
* 3 days late will result in zero credit given

**Late Work Policy Second Semester:**

In order to prepare students for 7th and 8th grade, we will adhere to their late work policy. This will begin at the start of the second semester.

* 1 day late= 50% off the graded assignment
* 2 days late will result in zero credit given

**Classroom Website:** Families will be able to access our classroom website via cristalwatkins.weebly.com. This website will be used in conjunction with RenWeb. One copy of each assignment will be handed out to every student. If this assignment is lost, student will be able to print additional copies through the classroom website. The teacher will not replace or make extra copies of misplaced assignment sheets. Please check on the website frequently for updates, information in regards to upcoming projects, and pictures of class projects.

Neatness:

* Illegible assignments will not be accepted. If I cannot read the students handwriting or assignments are sloppy, it will be handed back for the student to redo. This will result in a late grade on the assignment.
* Students will be expected to keep the classroom clean. All trash will be properly disposed of after each class period before dismissal.

Speech:

* All conversation must be appropriate. Students should refrain from slang and derogatory comments about other students or staff.

**2 Timothy 3:16- “All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.”**