

Mr. Adrian Ruiz Jr.

6th Grade English Language Arts
2018 Fall Semester Syllabus

This is a **tentative syllabus and is subject to change to meet the needs of our learners.*

Classroom Information

- Room Number: 243
- Telephone:
- Instructional Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Before/ After School Hours: By appointment

Contact Information

- Email: aruiz19@asu.edu
- Weebly: <http://aruizasuprep.weebly.com/>
- Remind Code: text **@6elaruz** to 81010
- School Messenger Code: NFXCC

Note: All important information such as school events or field trip information will be posted to the weebly (please check in daily). Remind and School Messenger will be used to communicate updates to the weebly. Please contact Mr. Ruiz with any communication questions, comments, or concerns.

Class Materials List

- 1 Three-Ring Binder (1 inch)
- 2 College-Ruled Notebook
- 2 Pencils (Wooden or Mechanical)
- 1 Silent Sharpener (**optional**)
- 2 Black Pens
- 2 Blue Pens
- 2 Red Pens
- 2 Color Highlighters
- Pencil Pouch/ Box

Note: Please contact Mr. Ruiz with any class materials questions, comments, or concerns.

Dress Code

Students will be required to follow the dress code outlined in the school handbook.

Note: Please contact our Front Office Staff with any uniform questions, comments, or concerns.

Behavior Expectations

Students will be expected to:

- Enter the classroom quietly and ready to start the learning day.
- Take out materials (refer to Class Materials List)
- Place backpack and of folders behind your seat or under your chair. (Water bottles must be placed in the designated area).
- Use classroom materials and resources appropriately.
- Respect the their property and the property of others.
- Clean up when signaled.
- Exit the classroom quietly and ready to start the next period.

Note: Additional classroom specific/ grade level rules will be posted in the classroom.

Disciplinary actions will reflect those outlined in the handbook. Progression of consequences will follow:

- The look
- Verbal warning
- Change of seating arrangement
- Detention
- Parent contract
- Office referral

Attendance

In order to ensure optimal learning and academic success it is critical students are present. In the event of an absence or absences students are responsible for making up assignments.

Tardiness: Students are expected to be in their seat at the start of the class session. If the student was with another teacher they will need a pass from the teacher prior to entering the class. **Three tardies will result in one absence.**

Note: 10 or more absences in a semester may result in grade level retention.

Classwork

Class Assignments: Students will be required to complete all classwork by the assigned due date/ due time. Incomplete classwork will need to be completed outside of classroom time (examples: learning lab, foundations, recess, at home, etc.).

Class Assessments: Students will be given as much time as needed to complete class assessments.

Exceptions: Some assessments will be timed and/ or will need to be completed by the end of the school day (example: AZ Merit).

Grading: Submitted student work will be graded and inputted within 1-2 school days.

Class Assignment Corrections/ Assessment Retakes: Students will be given the opportunity to make corrections and/ or retake assessments after they have completed the appropriate intervention activities (example: small group instruction with Mr. Ruiz).

Exceptions: Some assessments scores/ grades will be final and will not have an opportunity for corrections/ retakes (example: AZ Merit).

Plagiarism and Academic Integrity: Academic integrity is expected to be demonstrated on all assignments. Acts of plagiarism or academic dishonesty will result in a grade of zero and/ or F. Parents/ Guardians will be notified and disciplinary action may be taken.

Homework

Daily Task: Students will be required to write a daily journal entry in response to what they read at home. Journals will be collected on Friday, responded to by Mr. Ruiz over the weekend, and returned to students for the new week on Monday.

Missing Work: Students will be required to make up entries not done throughout the week. This includes absences. In the event a student misses two assignments in the same week they will be required to complete a homework form to be signed by their parent/ guardian.

Exceptions: In the event of an illness or life event a student will be excused from their assignment if they submit a written or electronic note from their parent/ guardian.

Food and Drinks

Students are allowed to bring **water in a closed container**. A space will be provided in the classroom for water. Students are permitted to drink from their water bottle anytime the instructor is not in lecture. Students will need to carry their water bottle between classes.

Exceptions: If your child requires special/ alternative in-class food and drink accommodations please contact Mr. Ruiz.

Restroom Breaks

Students are expected to use the restroom and get water during the transition time between classes and will not be given class time to use the restroom.

Students will be allowed 2 emergency passes during the quarter and will be required to log their time out and back in.

Exceptions: If your child requires special/ alternative restroom accommodations please contact Mr. Ruiz.

Cellphones and Outside Technology

Students are permitted to carry cell phones and outside technology (example: tablets and music players, etc.) but they must remain off or on silent during classroom sessions.

Note: Use of cell phones or outside technology during classroom sessions will result in the device being confiscated and delivered to the front office for parent/ guardian pick up.

Note: In the event of an emergency please contact the Front Office.

Classroom Technology Use

Students are expected to use classroom technology appropriately and for its intended purposes.

Note: Unauthorized or inappropriate use of classroom technology may result in temporarily or permanent suspension of privileges.

Syllabus Statement of Understanding

Directions: Please detach this page and submit to Mr. Ruiz by **Tuesday (July 31, 2018)**

By signing the **Syllabus Statement of Understanding** I acknowledge that I have read the information presented in the Fall syllabus and will contact Mr. Ruiz with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Student Signature: _____

Parent/ Guardian Signature: _____