

# MRS. W. SMITH

7th Grade Language Arts  
(Regular and Advanced)



Welcome to the 2020-2021 School Year! This year has already brought with it many changes and challenges, but I am confident that we will be successful together! As you know, we will begin this school year using Schoology as our learning platform. Here is some information you will find useful.

**Resources:** The resources tab in Schoology will provide students with the following information: Student Quarterly Guide, digital version of our literature book, pacing guides, links, and daily classroom assignments/due dates.

**Supplemental Books (Honor's ONLY):** Honors will read *Maximum Ride: The Angel Experiment* first quarter. If you cannot secure a hard copy of the book, click on the link below to read the full text.

<https://www.gearyschools.org/vimages/shared/vnews/stories/50f0603713388/Maximum%20Ride%20-%20The%20Angel%20Experiment.pdf>

**Daily Procedures:** Each day, I will give direct instruction for the first 30 minutes of class time. The remaining time will be used to assist students with understanding the lesson or follow-up assignments. These meetings will be held via video conferences.

## **Student/Assignment Requirements:**

1. Log on to Schoology each day and join class at the appropriate time.
2. Listen to the lesson and follow along as I teach.
3. Participate in online interactive activities (polls, games, etc.).
4. Ask questions when clarification is needed.
5. Complete all required assignments paying special attention to due dates.

## **Grading Procedures:**

Major Assignments (tests, projects, major writings) – 60%

Classwork/Quizzes – 40%

**Attendance:** Students will be counted absent if they do not log onto Schoology each day of the school week. If a student logs onto Schoology and interacts with my class, he or she is counted present that day.

**Tests/Quizzes:** Tests and quizzes will typically be given through online programs such as Schoology, Quizizz, Socrative, Nearpod, etc.

## **Contact Information:**

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