

**Mrs. Frederick**

## **Expectations**

Sion is made up of a variety of communities: teams, choirs, faculty, sophomore class etc. Those of us who meet in room 207 are also a community, a learning community. The expectations described below are ones consistent with the policies of our school and are meant to create a friendly yet purposeful classroom.

- Be on time! You are expected to be in the room when the bell rings. You will be counted tardy unless you have a dated, timed, and signed pass from faculty or staff. Please stay in your seat until the dismissal bell rings.
- Have all class related materials:

Textbook

3 ring binder for English

Pen or pencil/ notebook paper (NO SPIRAL PAPER)

Pens should be blue or black, no iridescent inks

- Expect to stay in the classroom for the entire 47-minute class period. I will give passes only for class business or emergencies. We will use the passes in your planners. Please have them with you. You may not leave the classroom if you do not have your planner/passes.
- No food or drink or chewing gum. Clear water bottles are permissible; have them filled when you come to class. No passes to drinking fountains to fill bottles.
- Follow the school uniform policy from head to toe. My role in enforcing this policy is one I will **NOT** enjoy, yet I **WILL** enforce.
- Manners are the lubricant that smoothes the functioning of any group:

Raise your hand and be recognized before speaking.

All opinions are welcome. Treat differing viewpoints with respect.

You are expected to participate: speak, listen, and pay attention.

Stay in your seat during class discussions or teacher lecture.

When class is "in session", do not talk with classmates.

- Reserve the class period you spend with Mrs. Frederick for English. I will silently collect any other class work you may be working on and place on my desk. You can collect from me at the end of the hour or forfeit that work. I will autograph these for your other teacher.
- Respect the deadlines for assignments. If you are absent, check my web page for your work. Work should be completed within one week of your return to school, or it is unacceptable. I will follow the English department's policy of assigning reduced credit for late work.

### **Oops Passes/Late Policy**

I understand that we all could use a few breaks. The Oops Pass provides you this sort of opportunity. You can present one of the 3 semester passes for the following ONLY:

- Turning in an assignment one day late (staple pass to assignment)
- Leaving class for any reason, such as going to your locker or using the restroom, returning within 5 MINUTES.
- Arriving late to class (within 5 minutes) without a signed pass from another teacher

Passes will not be replaced if lost.

- Your honesty is expected in your dealings with teacher and class peers, and on tests and in your written work.

Students are expected to meet deadlines. We follow the school policy for accepting late work with these added criteria: no vocabulary exercise work accepted after the test is taken. All work unaccompanied by an Oops pass is docked a letter grade. Unreasonable lateness and habitual lateness will require parent conferences before work is acceptable.

### **Extra Time and Other Special Accommodations**

If you have been diagnosed with a learning disability, ADD/ADHD, or any other disorder/disability that might affect your performance in this class, please make an appointment with me as early as possible so that we can discuss accommodations and strategies. I will be meeting with your counselor as well, but hearing from YOU about your own learning history is more meaningful and helpful than hearing about it from a third party.

If you have documentation that allows for extra time on exams and in-class essay, you must arrange in advance to take the exam after school the day the exam is given. Missing part or all of your next class because of the extra time you require for your English exam can put you at a disadvantage in the class you

are missing. If I can divide the test into sections, I will. I will give you only as much as you can complete within the class period, and you must come in after school to complete. If I cannot divide such a test or assignment, YOU MUST come in after school to complete the work. All tests started must be completed in one day.

**Plagiarism:**

Plagiarism is a type of cheating where a student presents the work of another as her own. In high school English classes this can include, but is not limited to, copying home work assignments or reproducing a piece of text (whether in whole or in part) word for word and presenting it as your own. Changing several words or rearranging sentence structure does not reduce the charge of plagiarism. You may be asked to provide resource materials used if your text is in question.

Any instance of plagiarism will result in a non-negotiable zero on the assignment and a conference with your parents and the academic dean about further disciplinary action. Please remember that integrity is difficult to regain once tarnished.

Please go over with your parent(s) , detach and sign below indicating your understanding of these.

I have read the course expectations for English III and will do my best to follow.

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