# Bilingual Language Arts

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# **Course Description**

Welcome to the Middle School Bilingual Language Arts (BLA)! This course will have a bilingual approach rather than a traditional approach. This course combines both ASL and English into one class. The course will be focused on receptive and expressive abilities in both languages. For receptive abilities, students will focus on identifying main concepts, details, analyzing the structure, and synthesizing the ideas from multiple sources. For expressive abilities students will focus on expressing in different disciplines, such as narrative, informative, and persuasive.

# **Objectives:**

- Develop ability to read and comprehend
- Learn and develop the ability to critically analyze the texts
- Clearly express themselves with a strong sense of purpose and align properly with the task and audience.

### **Required Materials**

- Bring an attitude that shows you are ready to learn.
- Pencils
- Chromebooks (provided by WSD)

## **Classroom Expectations**

- TERRIER PRIDE RULES
  - Respect yourself
  - Respect others
  - Respect property
- **TARDY** -- If a student is late, a blue slip is required in order to be excused. If a blue slip is not provided, the student will be considered tardy. Three tardies or greater may result in disciplinary action.
- ABSENCES -- It is the student's responsibility to see me for missed information or assignment. The student is expected to make up missed assignments within a reasonable time frame.

- MAKE UP / LATE WORK: Makeup work will be accepted, but there will be quarterly
  deadlines. Work assigned during the first quarter will not be accepted during the second
  quarter, and so forth.
- **ELECTRONIC DEVICES:** Cell phones and tablets are not permitted during class time. Students will be asked to put their cell phones in a designated location. Chromebooks will be provided for schoolwork only.

# **Grading Policy**

- 75% of the grade will be graded on assignments and participation
- 20% of the grade will be graded on projects
- 5% of the grade will be graded on quizzes

Letter grade	Percent ranges	Scale value	General rubric
А	93-100	4.0	Exceeds expectations
A-	90-92.9	3.7	
B+	87-89.9	3.3	
В	83-86.9	3.0	Meets expectations
B-	80-82.9	2.7	
C+	77-79.9	2.3	
С	73-76.9	2.0	Approaching expectations
C-	70-72.9	1.7	
D+	67-69.9	1.3	
D	60-66.9	1.0	Does not meet expectations
F	<60	0	No evidence

# **Extra Assistance**

If a student feels that extra assistance is needed, email me, leave a message via videophone, write a letter, or make an appointment to come see me. I am here to help out!