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## CC English 1A & 1B

### Course Description

As Freshman, students review written language conventions, expand vocabulary, practice the writing process, prepare expository/descriptive/narrative essays, learn and improve presentation skills, prepare and present speeches, read from a variety of sources to strengthen process and comprehension skills, participate in project-based activities, and complete a focus area application.

### Course Materials

Students will be provided with course materials, such as: composition notebook, textbook, short stories, whole-class novels, etc. Students will need to provide their own pencil/pen, paper, headphones/earbuds.

### Grading Policy

Student will be graded on the grading scale set forth in the MTCHS Student Handbook

A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
NC	69 or less (No Credit)

### PowerSchool Grading Categories

**Practice** points are **60%** of the grade

- Classwork - work that happens primarily in class for which you receive an in-class check-off grade
- Assignment - work that must be turned in through Moodle to receive a grade

**Assessment** points are **40%** of the grade

- Test / Quiz - formative and summative assessments
- Project - cumulative projects, papers, presentations, socratic seminars, etc

### Late Work Policy

Late work will receive up to **70%** when submitted up to **two (2) school/business days** after the assignment is marked missing in PowerSchool. Incomplete late assignments are not accepted for credit. Exceptions to this policy may be requested by the student by emailing Ms. Wiese prior to the original due date. The teacher will make the final determination on extension requests and will inform the student of the decision and due dates by email.

**All late work submitted for grading must be accompanied by an email to the instructor stating the name of the assignment(s) submitted.**

## Redo Work

If a student receives below 70% on an assignment, the student may redo that assignment for a grade up to 70%. The instructor will determine due dates on redo assignments and which assignments can be made up. Incomplete work may not be redone for credit.

## Extra Help

Students are strongly encouraged to seek help in understanding course concepts. Ms. Wiese is available during class or office hours and MTCHS offers labs for student help/study time.

## Class Expectations

As a student, you are required to:

- Do your own work—cheating, plagiarism, and inappropriate [use of AI](#) are not tolerated
- Arrive on-time and prepared to learn—laptop, pencil/pen, paper, assignment, etc.
- Respect others—we are here as a group to work as a team to make our time together the most productive for all

As a student, you need teacher permission to:

- Leave the room
- Work on coursework from other classes
- Use the Internet in a non-academic way

As a student, you are required to use personal technologies responsibly, which includes:

- Absolutely no use of electronic chat forums or texting during class
- Listening to personal music only when permitted
- No unauthorized gaming during class

## Workplace Skills

In order to prepare for the internship, students will be instructed and assessed on the MTCHS Framework skills. This is done throughout the course and woven into various activities. Freshman year, students will focus primarily on Personal Skills.

