## P035 Manhattan High School at the Beacon Site

# Mr. Geiger's Syllabus- ELA

Course Codes and Bands: (EES83QQB-8) (H-Band), (EES83QQB-3) C

Band, (EES83QQB-4) (D-Band)

Course Name: ELA 4/8 (10<sup>th</sup> Grade)

**Semester:** Spring 2023



# **Goals for the year**:

- Students will be able to write and support arguments and analyses by citing evidence.
- Students will read short and long stories and will be able to comprehend the basic and complex details of text, both verbally and in writing.
- Students will identify the central theme and central ideas of literary and informational texts
- Students will be able to think critically and express their thoughts verbally and in writing.
- Students will improve inference and literary analysis
- Students will understand the differences between literal and figurative meanings and how they impact writing
- Students will improve and expand vocabulary

• Students will develop reading comprehension and writing skills needed to prepare for ELA Regents exam.

#### **NY State Standards:**

Please follow this link to view the NY state standards that our ELA curriculum will be focused on throughout the school year.

#### NY Next Generation State Standards

http://www.nysed.gov/common/nysed/files/programs/curriculum-instruction/nys-ela-standards-9th-10th-grade-crosswalk.pdf

### **Growth Mindset:**

I will continue to encourage students to have a growth mindset throughout the school year. A growth mindset is an approach to learning in which one is able to overcome the failures and obstacles that occur throughout the learning process. Those with a growth mindset have an open mind and can understand the value in learning. These learners are able to stay committed to learning and developing their skills.

#### **Your DOE student e-mail address:**

Make sure that you know your DOE student e-mail address and password. We will be using technological platforms for many of our assignments and you will need access to your e-mails in order to participate!

\*\*Note- you will lose points off your participation grade if you cannot remember your student email and/or password\*\*

### **Google Classroom:**

-Assignments in class will be posted on Google Classroom. If you miss class, it is your responsibility to complete the work on Google Classroom.



#### **Materials:**

You will need to bring a pen/pencil and folder to class. A notebook is optional.

## Classroom rules/ norms and agreements:

The students and I worked together to create the classroom rules, otherwise known as the "norms and agreements". Below are the norms and agreements we agreed on:

## -D Band class norms and agreements:

- 1. Five minute "cool off" when we begin class
- 2. Keep hands to yourself
- 3. One mic
- 4. Be respectful of others, yourself, and property
- 5. Cell phones can only be used during instruction and during an excused two minute break
- 6. Phone calls must be taken outside of the classroom

## -H Band class norms and agreements:

- 1. Limited cell phone usage unless in an emergency or unless instructed to. Phone calls are to be taken outside of the classroom.
- 2. Keep your hands to yourself

- 3. Use appropriate and respectful language
- 4. Please ask Geiger or Ceballos to leave the classroom
- 5. Respect others, yourself, and belongings/property

#### -C Band class norms and agreements:

- 1. Using respectful and appropriate language
- 2. Ask Ms. Ceballos or Mr. Geiger if you need to leave the classroom
- 3. Participate constructively and positively in class
- 4. Respect yourself, others, and property in the classroom
- 5. Cell phones can only be used during an excused break OR for classroom instruction
- \*\*Norms and agreements can be changed at any time upon request from the teacher, para, or students.



#### **Grading:**

40%-Classwork 10%-Homework 25%-Participation 25%-Exams, essays, projects \*\*The 10 point participation grade is comprised of appropriate and constructive participation in class (2.5 points), arriving to class both on-time and prepared (2.5 points), and being respectful to yourself, peers, and staff (2.5 points), and attending class consistently (2.5 points).

Please check Google Classroom for updates on your grade.

#### Late work:

You will lose 5 point per day for late long-term assignments/projects. You will lose 1 point per day for every late classwork assignment. Tests and quizzes can be made up if notified in advance of the absence.

After 10 schooldays, late work will not be accepted unless there is a valid, documented excuse.

## **Contact Information**

I am looking forward to having a great school year with you!

Please do not hesitate to e-mail me with any questions or concerns regarding our ELA class: <a href="mailto:sgeiger4@schools.nyc.gov">sgeiger4@schools.nyc.gov</a>

