LITERACY SKILLS COURSE OUTLINE

MS. ROBINSON



COURSE DESCRIPTION:

As defined by Alberta Learning; "Literacy is acquiring, creating, connecting and communicating meaning in a wide variety of contexts." (Literacy First: A Plan for Action 2010)

Students will take the Literacy Skills for one period, one semester, every other day. The class will be chunked into various activities that work on Literacy Skills – the first half of class will be teacher directed – the second will be small group and / or independent learning.

GOAL:

The course of "Literacy" will have as its goal:

To help students:

- Acquire, create, connect and communicate meaning.
- To increase reading comprehension and Grade Level.

UNITS:

Reading Comprehension Strategies – Teacher Directed

- Teacher Oral Reading
- Grammar Practice Teacher Directed
- Student Choice / Grade Level Reading
- Independent and / or Small Group Literacy Skills

ASSESSMENT:

Throughout the course, students will be assessed on work completed and Literacy Skills gained. Ms. Robinson is a "Co-teacher" with the Language Arts teacher and will input grades there. Literacy Skills will be weighted as 10% of overall Language Arts class.

RESOURCES:

A variety of resources will be used throughout the course.

COURSE EXPECTATIONS:

- Attendance: Please let your teacher know when you will be away for a planned absence. Upon return, please see your teacher for work that you have missed.
- Plagiarism: If students "copy and paste" work and submit it as their own first instance will require a resubmission. Further plagiarism will result in an awarded mark of 0%.
- Late Assignments: Late assignments will be accepted, however, depending on the circumstances, may be a different assignment or work may be assessed in a stricter manner. Students with exceedingly late or missing assignments will be required to complete work by a set deadline determined by the teacher. If more time is needed for an assignment, this matter must be discussed prior to the due date. Not taking advantage of the make-up opportunity may result in a failing grade.
- Technology and personal devices should be put away not used, unless otherwise directed by the teacher. Any inappropriate use of technology may result in privilege being suspended.
- When handing in work, please ensure teacher has <u>INIATILED</u> work as being recorded and checked off.
- Please see the student handbook for any other specifics.
- Note: "You do not have to agree with someone's opinion but please respect their right to have it."