

Creative Writing II Grand Haven High School



Course Number: B83 Grade Level: 9th-12th Credits : .5 Prerequiste Courses : Creative Writing I

Course Description

The class will provide students with the opportunity to develop their self-expression through a variety of written activities. Students will further develop their creative writing skills by discussing proper storytelling technique, writing in a variety of genres and analyzing published text.

Course Objectives

Students will learn the value of storytelling and the techniques needed to write effectively.

Students will understand the connection between reading and writing. They will study what other authors have done to help improve their own writing.

Students will experience a variety of genres to understand the multiple ways to communicate through writing.

Student Expectations

This is a writing class. Students will write everyday.

Students can expect to think critically and deeply about a variety of subjects, in order to help fuel writing topics.

In many cases, writing is meant to be shared. Therefore students can expect to share all or some of their writings with their classmates. Students will not be forced to share their writing that is deeply personal in nature, if they are not comfortable doing so. Students in the class must RESPECT the writing of others, including listening without judgement and refraining from telling others outside of class what is shared by classmates within the class.

Communication

Students and parents are encouraged to communicate with the teacher whenever they have a question. Teacher contact information can be found on the ghaps.org website. Parent Internet Viewer is a great tool to see current grades, but the student may always as the teacher for a current grade report.

Building Behavioral Expectations

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Grading Policy

Grades for the class will be based on the accumulation of points throughout the semester. All assignments will be placed into categories, weighted as follows: Product (major writing pieces) - 70%

Process (small writing assignments, homework, in-class writing) - 30%

Scope and Sequence

Creative Writing II will be broken into the following units: Introductory Writings Reading Project Large short story Multigenre Project including fiction, nonfiction, drama, poetry, art and other miscellaneous forms of writing Exam Project

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