

MRS. SWINEHART'S 7TH GRADE WRITING

RULES

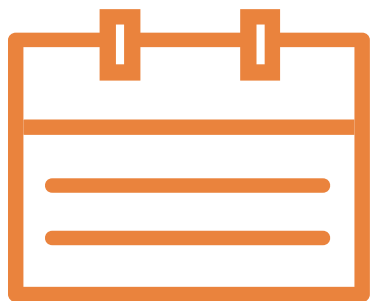


Rules that will be followed in my classroom comply with the same rules in the Monticello School Handbook and our Pony Promise: BE RESPECTFUL (no talking out of turn, respecting others, no cell phone usage, etc) BE RESPONSIBLE (turn in work on time, being on time to class, etc) and BE SAFE (keeping your self to your self, etc).

Following the rules is important in writing class. If you're not using class time wisely, you will have more homework to complete on a daily basis.

All writing steps are completed on Google Classroom (except final drafts).

DAILY SCHEDULE



You meet with Mrs. Swinehart every other day for about forty five minutes.

Class time runs as follows:

- *10 minute minilesson (or longer)
- *35 minutes working on your drafts, a skill taught during minilesson, or conferencing with a teacher or other students.

IT'S BEST TO USE WORK TIME IF YOU DON'T WANT HOMEWORK!

UNITS COVERED IN LUCY CALKINS

Students will be assessed with a writing sample at the beginning and end of the unit to see how much they have progressed.

Unit one = narrative writing (write a realistic fiction short story)

Unit two = informative writing (write a companion book analyzing a book)

Unit three = combination of informative and argument writing (2 essays--one presentation to administration in a group)

Unit four= get ready for Forward exam/play writing

ASSESSMENT

- You will be assessed in the following areas of writing: overall, lead, transitions, ending, organization, elaboration, craft, spelling, punctuation, and sentence structure.
- 3=meeting the standard, 2=approaching meeting the standard, but not there yet, 1= not meeting the standard
- The writing completion category is for daily writing assignments. Doing them increases the quality of your final drafts.
- Late work receives no penalty on a standard but can lower your Pony behavior score.
- All areas may be revised for a better score after the final draft is graded.

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You can also check out Mrs. Swinehart's website (accessible through the school website) for daily assignments or access Skyward. Students, you can drop by during my prep hour, during lunch, or after school if you need extra help.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION. WE LOOK FORWARD TO A GOOD YEAR!