

WELCOME TO FRESHMAN ENGLISH REGULAR

The main objective of this class is to build a strong foundation for those lifelong skills of reading, writing, speaking, listening, and thinking critically. I take a personal interest in motivating students to develop the self discipline they will need for a successful career in high school. The freshman year is an important transition for the student (and parent!). If I can do anything to make this transition easier, please don't hesitate to call me. I can be reached at Oak Ridge High School during my planning period. Please call 425-9601 and ask for Ms. Naida Finane. My e-mail address is nfinane@ortn.edu

GRADING POLICY

Grades are given for homework and classwork. Homework consists of reading assignments and projects. Classwork consists of daily work, quizzes, and tests. All work is assigned a point value which translates into a percentage. This percentage is assigned the letter grade value as set forth in the Oak Ridge High School Student Handbook.

Homework is written everyday on the white board and students should copy it into their assignment books which they will receive through their English classes. Homework, quizzes, test, and projects will be graded and registered directly in the gradebook.

MAKE-UP WORK

Obviously, work should be turned in on the day it is due. It's extremely difficult to discuss a literature assignment no one has read or grade worksheets no one has completed. (The student handbook discusses excused absent make-up schedules.)

Late work that is one day late will lose 10% of the grade received. Late work may be turned in for 50% maximum of the grade if it is handed in during midterm week or the final week of the grading period—whichever comes first. If the late work is not received by this time, the grade stays a 0%.

REQUIRED SUPPLIES

- Two non-college ruled spiral notebooks of 75 pages each; can be bought for ten cents each at August pre-school sales.
- Pencils and pens
- One file folder
- Vocabulary book C to be purchased at ORHS bookstore