ESOL I, Reading II Course Syllabus

**2021-2022**

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Conference Period: 6th period

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**Course Description**

This course is intended to help students improve their English skills in preparation for high school graduation. There is a particular focus on developing reading and writing skills, English vocabulary building, speaking pronunciation, listening, spelling and grammar. Additionally, students will work independently on one or more of the following computer programs to further facilitate the reading, comprehension, and writing skills required for high school graduation: Summit K12, Lexia Power Up, Lexia Core 5, and Flipgrid.

**Course Objectives**

Students will use background knowledge and cognates to assist in building/speaking the English language with activities designed to build vocabulary, use graphic organizers for comprehension and participate in small group activities encouraging oral English language development. Students will study strategies for idea, author’s point of view, explicit and implicit meanings of text, distinguish fact from opinion, text organization, tone, voice, draw conclusions, figurative language elements, state generalizations across texts, imagery, literary themes and connections that cross cultures. Additionally, students will study strategies for improving their writing skills including: a clear focus on one topic, well-developed support of the topic, and proper grammar, spelling and punctuation. All of the above will aid the students to demonstrate the ability to comprehend texts on topics related to daily life emphasizing their ability and speaking confidence level to connect the content of reading passages to their own experiences, both orally and in writing.

**Methods of Instruction**

1. Text reading and discussion
2. Guided activities incorporating audio-visual and text materials.
3. Pair and small group work
4. Lecture
5. Break out room individual conferences (as needed)

**Grades and Assignments**

1. Tests 60%
2. Daily Work 40%

**Student Responsibilities**

* Attendance is mandatory and recorded, therefore you are required to come to class virtually every day.
* You are required to come to class prepared to work on time.
* You must maintain a positive attitude and be respectful to other students and the teacher.
* You must have the computer camera and microphone on during class unless the teacher asks you to mute the microphone.
* Participate in class discussions.
* During group work every student must participate in the discussion/assignment.
* DURING TESTS the camera and microphone MUST be turned on.
* Speak only English in class to the best of your ability.
* Treat everyone in the class with respect and kindness.