**Accelerated English 3**

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***Classroom Policies***

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| Daily Expectations | 1. Arrive to class on time. If you are late, you will need a pass from a staff member. 2. Put your phone away before entering the classroom. It should remain unused and untouched during the entirety of the class. 3. Also before entering the classroom, dispose of all food/drink and put away music/headphones. 4. If you were absent, check the “Missed Work” binder to see what took place while you were gone. 5. Sit in the correct seat. 6. Direct your attention to the front of the room to see the day’s agenda. When the bell rings, all talking should stop. 7. Remain in a seat until the bell has rung. |
| Discipline Timeline | If you are not meeting classroom expectations, the following timeline will be used:   * 1st Offense: You complete a “Behavior Evaluation Form.” * 2nd Offense: Mr. Dalsky contacts your lab instructor and a parent/guardian. * 3rd Offense: Mr. Dalsky writes a Discipline Referral.   Bullying, fighting and any other comments/actions that violate a student’s right to a safe and productive learning environment will not be tolerated in this classroom. Failure to uphold this standard will immediately result in a discipline referral and/or removal from my classroom. |
| First 5, Last 5 | You will not be permitted to leave the classroom during the first or last five minutes of class unless you are called down by the office. |
| Restroom Visits | You will be permitted one visit to the restroom per day. Sign out before you leave and sign in when you return. You may not take anything with you to the restroom. |
| Test Days | The classroom should be silent during a test. No music will be permitted. After a test, you may work on homework or read a book. |

***Grades***

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| Extra Credit | No extra credit is available in this class. |
| Grading Scale | 92-100= A 82-91 = B\* 72-81 = C 60-71 = D 0-59 = F  \*You must earn at least a B in this course to get into the College Composition course. |
| Late Work | Late work will only be accepted if you have an excused absence. Otherwise, late work will result in a 0% F on ProgressBook. No excuse will be accepted. If you think you will have a problem completing an assignment by its due date, please talk to Mr. Dalsky *in advance*. |
| Plagiarism | Plagiarism will not be tolerated. Anyone who plagiarizes will earn a 0% F on the offending assignment. If plagiarism occurs a second time, that student will receive a discipline referral. |
| ProgressBook | You will be given log-in information for ProgressBook. It is your responsibility to know how to log in to ProgressBook as well as check your grades. There will not be time during class for me to pull up your grades. If you question a grade, do so before or after class. |
| Work Days | When given class time to work on projects, you should be productive. Work Days are accompanied by grades. By working productively, you will earn full credit. |

***Course Overview***

Welcome to Accelerated English 3! This course is designed to prepare you to enter the College Composition class, which earns you 3 credits of college credit during your senior year at Eastland. In AE 3, you will strengthen your writing and reading skills. Instead of whole-class novels, you will select what books you read. The writing for this course is broken down into the following categories:

* Quarter 1 = Narrative writing
* Quarter 2 = Fiction writing
* Quarter 3 = Argument/Research writing and speaking
* Quarter 4 = Multigenre writing, Portfolio compilation

***Vocabulary***

All vocabulary words will be taken from a book called “The Big Book of Words You Should Know.” What we do with words in this course will be engaging and fun. We will have challenges and games to facilitate the use of new words. We will use them verbally and in our writing. We will divide the sections of the book based on the following quarters:

* Quarter 1 = Words You Absolutely Should Know
* Quarter 2 = Words You Should Know But Probably Don’t
* Quarter 3 = Words Most People Don’t Know
* Quarter 4 = Words You Probably Shouldn’t Know