Welcome Letter | Freshman Prep | Summer 2024

Dear Students and Families/Guardians.

Welcome to 9th Grade English Prep! This class will prepare you for your freshman year by helping you learn to read closely, annotate purposefully, think abstractly, and practice the type of literary analysis you will encounter throughout your time at Latin.

Materials you will need every day:

- A charged computer
- Access to your Latin Gmail account (I will share documents/collect work from you using your Gmail account and Canvas)
- Writing utensils
- Your reading packet (I will distribute this on the first day of class. You don't need to print anything yourself unless you require additional copies)
- A notebook or lined loose leaf paper

Procedures/Technology

Our class will meet every weekday from June 17-28 (excluding June 19, when Latin is closed for Juneteenth) from 9am to 11am at Latin in US 520. During this time, we will do a combination of whole class work, partner and small group work, one-on-one meetings between myself and individual students, and independent work. I will provide daily updates each morning on Canvas with relevant documents/resources for that day and any work that will need to be completed outside of class.

We will spend the first few minutes of our first day together getting set up on Canvas.

Office Hours

I will be available each day to meet with you outside of class to provide additional instruction/help with assignments. Generally, if you want to meet in person, the half hour after class between 11 am - 11:30 am would be best. If you want to schedule a meeting with me at any point, please email me at kjonesespinales@latinschool.org.

Attendance

I will take attendance each day. Class will begin promptly at 9am and run until 11am. If a conflict or illness arises, I ask that either you or your guardian contact me ahead of time via email as you are able so I can adjust the plans for the day if necessary and follow up with you to make sure you get everything out of our course that you can.

I'm really looking forward to getting to know you all!

Best,

Ms. Jones

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