Expectations for high school English

Know basic parts of speech (8)

Check online sites (Classroom, teacher websites) and your email daily

Know how to OPEN and USE documents on your computers

Take responsibility for your work

Be respectful to peers, especially if you disagree with them. “*Well, most folks seem to think they’re right and you’re wrong…” “They’re certainly entitled to think that, and they’re entitled to full respect for their opinions,” said Atticus* (Finch ~ *To Kill A Mockingbird*).

Know how to attach and send a document through email

Treat ALL adults with respect as they are here because they **like** you (don’t make them **not** like you)

Be familiar with the online materials and resources provided for the class (there may be quizzes)

Be an independent learner – learn and follow classroom routines

Budget your time (plan ahead to get work completed **on time**)

Try 3, then me – when you have a question (depending on the nature of it) try at least 3 other avenues for getting your question answered before asking me.

Be **mature** There is zero tolerance for self-pity, lying, cheating, or manipulating words

Always verify information from a credible source (translation – do not gossip or spread rumors)

I **like** you – trust me that I will tell you if this opinion changes

**Try** on your assignments – excuses mean little, **effort** means a lot

You are in **high school** – Take ownership of **your** learning –**Do not** say, think, or indicate that any educational lacking on your part is due to a past teacher or teaching method. If you do not know something, do what is needed to learn it – **No excuses!!**

Keep your attitude in check! Your instructors are here to help you – **bad** attitudes are **not** helpful and are not allowed.

“Mediocrity and complacency are not options that lead anywhere worth going” Regent University 500

My job is to prepare you for life beyond high school. Life can be challenging and harsh. Colleges have strict standards and rules. Most jobs will have criteria that needs to be followed in order to keep your job. There are deadlines and due dates in the real world, there are also varying degrees of consequences. Do not see what you can get away with, rather, practice compliance.

Cell phones need to be **turned off**, in your bookbag, and away from your person. If I hear them or see them, I take them until the end of the day. This includes if your phone is properly stowed and just not turned off, or if I see it in your pocket.