

Language Arts 1st Quarter Calendar

We will be writing a 5-paragraph essay and reading the novel The Outsiders for the quarter. Most reading will be done in class, but some reading may need to be done at home if student is absent. There will be a Step-Up to Writing review along with grammar practice to assist students with writing their essay. Goals for this term are:

- Grammar : Verbs, Punctuation, Sentence construction
- Write a 5-paragraph essay
- Vocabulary, inference, and characters in The Outsiders
- Meet goals for RC
- *All numbers listed (8.RL.1, 8.W.4, etc.) on the calendar refer to standards found at <http://standardstoolkit.k12.hi.us/common-core/language-arts/language-arts-grade-8-common-core-standards/>*

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29 Library Orientation	30 Q1 Calendar The Outsiders intro- Gang Article	31 Outsiders Chap. 1	1 Chap.2	2 Chap.3 Close reading
5 Chap. 4 Lit circle	6 Chap. 4 Lit circle	7 Chap. 5	8 Character inference	9 Chap. 6 Close reading
12 Chap. 7	13 Chap. 8	14 8.RL.1 Formative Chap. 9 (?) Lit circle	15 Chap. 9 Lit circle	16 Admissions Day
19 Chap. 10	20 Chap. 11	21 8.RL.1 Summative	22 Library Orientation	23 Chap. 12

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26 Computer intro Google Docs	27 Paper preview “The Ultimate Gift” Prewriting: Finding a topic	28 Introductions and Thesis Statements Start typing Intro	29 Writing Wkshp: Introduction	30 RC Reading Introduction due
2 Labor Day	3 Prewriting: Transitions and organizing body of paper	4 Writing Wkshp: Body/correct your intro	5 Writing Wkshp: Body	6 RC Reading Body paragraphs due
9 Grammar Commas and Verb Tense	10 Prewriting: Conclusions	11 Writing Wkshp: Body/correct your body	12 Writing Wkshp: Conclusions	13 RC Reading <i>Conclusion due</i>
16 Preparing final draft	17 Writing Wkshp: Publishing paper	18 Preparing final draft	19 Writing Wkshp: Final peer edit	20 RC Reading Paper Due
23 Outsiders activity	24 Outsiders activity	25 Outsiders activity		

Sign, detach, and return bottom portion by _____.

I have reviewed the 1st quarter calendar with my child, and I am aware and understand the requirements set forth for quarter 1.

Student Name (Print) _____ Date _____

Student Signature _____

Parent Signature _____