Mr. Brewer’s Language Arts Class

**Dear Parent or Guardian,**

**Hello! My name is John Brewer and I will be your child’s Language Arts teacher this year. As an educator my greatest duty is to prepare a place where students feel comfortable creating content that is college ready. To assist me in this goal, I have included on this sheet the most important parts of being in my classroom, as well as my contact information.**

**Mr. Brewer’s Classroom Rules**

1. **Respect your classmates.**
2. **Respect your surroundings.**
3. **Be seated and begin working as soon as the bell rings.**
4. **No food is allowed in the classroom unless I give it to you.**
5. **Cell phone use is ONLY allowed if you maintain a B average.**

**Grade Calculations**

**Engagement – 20%**

**Daily Journals – 5%**

**Five Sentences in response to each daily journal prompt**

**Station Work – 15%**

**Daily Readings, Closing Questions**

**Progression – 30%**

**Grammar Quizzes – 15%**

**There will be a Grammar Lesson Each Week on NoRedInk**

**Reading Quizzes – 15%**

**There will be three Newsela Quizzes and Writing Prompts each week**

**Mastery – 50%**

**Key Projects – 20%**

**Students must complete one Key Project per 10 days of class time.**

**Students are expected to complete ~6 Key Projects during each Trimester for their portfolios**

**Tests, Presentations, Essays – 30%**

**Tests and Essays will follow each Primary Text**

**I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ have read this notice of classroom policy for Mr. Brewer’s class at Phoenix School of Discovery and understand that my child will be held accountable for following these guidelines, reading these texts, and meeting these criteria for success.**

**Thank you very much for your time.**

**Mr. B’s Contact Information**

**Email: john.brewer@jefferson.kyschools.us (I will respond within 48 hours to all emails)**

**Curriculum and Reading List**

* **Winter Trimester**
  + **12th Grade:**
    - **The Last Lecture and Brave New World P.1**
    - **ACT and College Prep Grammar and Reading**
    - **Portfolio Projects and Last Lecture**
  + **11th Grade**
    - **The Great Gatsby**
    - **ACT and College Prep Grammar and Reading**
    - **Portfolio Projects**
* **Spring Trimester – English 3 and 4**
  + **12th Grade:**
    - **Brave New World P.2 and Macbeth**
    - **ACT and College Prep Grammar and Reading**
    - **Portfolio Projects and Last Lecture**
  + **11th Grade**
    - **The Things They Carried and Select ACT**

**prep short readings**

* + - **ACT and College Prep Grammar and Reading**
    - **Portfolio Projects**