

## English – Grade Seven

“Take time to think – it is the source of power”  
“Take time to read – it is the foundation of wisdom”  
“Take time to pray – it is the greatest power on earth”

My aim is to help each and every student strive for a positive self-image while achieving academic excellence, and doing so by displaying a sense of responsibility.

Students are graded on the following basis:

- 1) Tests and quizzes
- 2) Homework
- 3) Class participation

Please encourage your child to have all necessary materials for school with him/her every day. At the start of each class, students should always be prepared with assigned homework and supplies (red pen, black/blue ink pen, paper and binder). I need your help and support in encouraging organizational skills. Penmanship and overall neatness need to be stressed. If a homework assignment looks unacceptable to you, insist it be redone.

Incomplete homework may be made up for partial credit within allotted time limits. I will expect students to keep well-organized binders which will include all class notes and all written classwork and homework assignments. Binders will be checked on a daily basis as well as at the end of every quarter.

My program objectives develop the skills acquired in preceding years in each of the language processes: Listening, Multisensory Experiences, Speaking and Writing. Since the ability to write correctly and well is vital in our society, frequent written experiences, covering various topics and stressing good paragraph development, vocabulary, and sentence structure are given. Students will create products reflecting the different writing purposes (descriptive, expository, narrative, and persuasive). Correct English grammar will be stressed daily by the use of grammar studies as well as incorporating correct grammar in the written word.

Since it is recommended that Jr. High students spend a minimum of 90 minutes on homework each evening, homework will usually be given nightly.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me through the school office.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Karen Cocita

