

Southern Lehigh School District

Middle School Syllabus

037 Gifted Reading

2012-2013

Course Description:

The gifted reading course provides curriculum enrichment and acceleration for the identified student based upon the gifted IEP goals. Students participate in activities that increase higher level comprehension, memory, evaluation skills, study skills, and convergent and divergent thinking abilities. Students are offered opportunities to participate in independent, interest driven research projects.

Course Content:

1. Reading Skills and Strategies
2. Fiction
3. Non-fiction
4. Research

Required Textbooks and/or Other Reading/Research Materials

Possible titles from the curriculum:

Literature: Timeless Voices, Timeless Themes – Bronze Level: Prentice Hall
Freak the Mighty by Rodman Philbrick
The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton
The Westing Game by Ellan Raskin
And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie
A Separate Peace by John Knowles
Study Island
Isearch Blackboard Course
Scope and Action Magazines

Course Requirements:

Students are expected to come to class prepared with all necessary materials and complete all assignments on time. If a student is absent, it is the student's responsibility to see make up missed work. Please refer to the policies in the student handbook for additional information.

Grade Components/Assessments:

Grades will be based on homework, quizzes, tests, projects, essays, and writing responses.

Each marking period is worth 20% of a student's overall grade. The midterm and final exam are each worth 10% of a student's overall average:

Quarter 1	20%
Quarter 2	20%

Midterm	10%
Quarter 3	20%
Quarter 4	20%
Final	10%

Required Summer Reading/Assignments:

Students are required to read two books.

The Outsiders by S.E.Hinton

1 self-selected book from the 7th grade reading list (available on the MS website)