Welcome to 8th grade English Language Arts. I look forward to working with you to ensure a productive as well as successful academic year. This year we have a new curriculum that will provide more student engagement.  Please refer to the following hyperlinks on my Weebly website: http://selshafie.weebly.com under the **ELA Expectations** tab for more details: [**parent\_information\_page\_for\_el\_\_1\_.pdf**](http://selshafie.weebly.com/uploads/8/1/9/7/81978856/parent_information_page_for_el__1_.pdf)**or**[**ela\_parent\_info\_revised\_spanish\_final.pdf**](http://selshafie.weebly.com/uploads/8/1/9/7/81978856/ela_parent_info_revised_spanish_final.pdf)  
  
**Sign Up to this class on Remind to receive important due dates and information on upcoming assessments:**[**www.remind.com/join/632kcc**](https://www.remind.com/join/632kcc) It is hyperlinked on my website.  
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​Class Supplies/Materials for our team can are also hyperlinked on my website and can be found on the East Cary Website:**[**8-3\_supply\_list\_2018-2019\_\_2\_.docx**](http://selshafie.weebly.com/uploads/8/1/9/7/81978856/8-3_supply_list_2018-2019__2_.docx)  
 **Class Expectations:**:  
**1**. Come to class with a positive attitude and be ready to learn.  
**2**. Be prepared every day with all class materials.  
**3**. Keep an organized notebook.  
**4.** Review your notes 10-15 minutes every night.  
**5**. Complete all class assignments and turn in on time with the appropriate heading (name, date, class

period).   
**6**. Unless otherwise specified, write in black/ blue ink for major assignments especially projects and

essays. You may use pencil for minor and intermediate assignments (classwork, homework, quizzes).  
**7**. Come every day with an open mind and be respectful of other classmates’ opinion even if you

disagree.     
  
**Class Procedure  
1.**Come to class on time daily.  
**2**.  Take care of any needs during class change (water, rest room, locker, etc.). Four emergency passes

will be given each grading quarter to be used as such.  
**3**.  By the late bell, be seated, have your materials ready and start your warm ups.   
**4**.   Raise your hand and wait for teacher permission before speaking.  
**5**.   get permission before getting out of your seat.  
**6**.   Be respectful and courteous at all times, especially during class discussions.  
**7.   Late Work:** Please note that **5 points** will be deducted from late assignments **every day**

**for no more than 5 days**.   
   
**English Language Arts Grading Rubric                                      Grading Scale**  
 Major Assignments                                       40%                                                  **A** (100-90)  
 Intermediate Assignments                          35%                                                 **B** (89-80)  
 Minor Assignments                                      25%                                                  **C** (79-70)  
         Total                                                       100%                                                 **D** (69-60)  
                                                                                                                                    **F** (59-0)

I look forward to working with all of you.

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