



## Middle Level English Language Arts Honors Commitment Form

Please return a signed copy of this commitment form to your child's English/Language Arts teacher during the first week of school.

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SUSD ID Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

SUSD encourages all students to challenge themselves and enroll in rigorous courses of study including Honors, Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) classes over the course of their grade 6-12 experiences. Students are especially encouraged to pursue Honors or other advanced coursework in subjects for which they demonstrate academic proficiency and/or have a strong interest.

Benefits of participation in Honors, AP, or IB classes include:

- Offers access to advanced curricular studies in the selected subject(s)
- Consistently requires thinking at the highest levels
- Develops intellectual and social emotional skills
- Provides a foundation for college readiness

Students who find success in challenging coursework generally:

- Are academically ambitious and eager for intellectual inquiry
- Have a capacity for abstract thought and an aptitude for analysis
- Possess a love for learning
- Are self-motivated to engage in classroom discussions and complete assignments and complete assignments in a timely and thorough manner
- Possess good time management skills
- Complete recommended summer readings or studies (posted on individual school websites) to prepare for the content of the course

The following are expectations for success in middle school honors English Language Arts.

**Students: To communicate that you understand and agree to the following expectations, please initial each line below.**

\_\_\_\_\_ I commit to trying my best and remaining in the course.

\_\_\_\_\_ I commit to actively participate in class and group discussions (lessons), complete all homework assignments, and demonstrate a strong, independent work ethic.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that I will be expected to participate in reading, writing, and listening and speaking at rigorous levels in this Honors English Language Arts class.

Note: Teachers provide challenge and supports to students in both General Ed and Honors level coursework. Students enrolled in Honors that earn a D or failing grade at the end of the first quarter may be rescheduled into a regular English Language Arts course to ensure success. Students and parents will be notified prior to any changes in schedule.

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Student Signature (required)

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Parent/Guardian Signature (required)

For more information about Honor English Language Arts at the middle level, please refer to the SUSD Digital Backpack.

\*\* For information in languages other than English or Spanish, please contact Translation Services at (480)-484-8019.