



Composition 10

Pattison High School
Ms Maestrovic

Course Description

Writing or composition connects us to our creativity and clarity of expression. Language shapes ideas and influences others. In order to improve our rhetorical skills we need to be inspired by a variety of writers and writing styles. Students will individually and collaboratively create their own original pieces, and practice the processes of drafting, reflecting, and revising. They will have opportunities to discuss and critique others writing to better reflect on their own expression. The goal is to achieve consistent improvement in personal and creative written and spoken expression.



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Grading Policy

The grading categories are as follows:

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| • Participation | 5% |
| • Quizzes | 20% |
| • Class Writing | 20% |
| • Projects | 10% |
| • MidTerm | 20% |
| • Final Exam | 25% |

The grading scale is as follows: emerging, meeting, proficient, and extending with comments

Late work: Students should always complete assignments on time, however, if a student turns in an assignment late a deduction of 10 points for each day late will take place until the third day.

Supplies/Websites

- Tablet (no phones)
- Charger
- Spiral Notebook
- Folder or binder
- Pencils
- Erasers

Classroom Expectations

- Be on time and present.
- Be respectful.
- Be prepared.
- Be ready to participate.
- Cell phones put away in lockers.

Tutoring Times

Mondays
11 AM - noon

Tuesdays
3 PM - 4 PM

*Other times available by appointment.

Plagiarism and Cheating

Plagiarism is the practice of copying words, sentences, images, or ideas for use in written or oral assessments without giving proper credit to the source. Cheating is defined as the giving or receiving of illegal help on anything that has been determined by the teacher to be an individual effort. Both are considered serious offenses and will result in a 0.

Absences/Make-Up Work

All students are expected to attend or login to each scheduled class every school day. Exceptions may be made for illness and valid emergencies.

Students are required to make up all work missed during an absence. Students will be **allotted one day for each day absent** to complete all make-up assignments. If the student does not complete the make-up work within the allotted time, he or she will **receive a grade of 0%** for the assignment. Homework assigned before the student is absent is due as originally scheduled.

Units of Study

1. Access information for diverse purposes and from a variety of sources to inform writing
2. Be informed and inspired by narrative structures and oral traditions of FN people
3. Explore how language constructs personal and cultural identities
4. Identify bias, contradictions, and distortions
5. Construct meaningful personal connections between self, text, and world
6. Express and support an opinion with evidence
7. Use [acknowledgements and citations](#) to recognize intellectual property rights

Promotion Policy

Student who achieve a score of a 50 or above with less than 10% unexcused absences will receive credit towards promotion.

If you are having trouble with this class, come to me immediately and I can work with you. If you wait till the end of the grading period, it will be TOO LATE. I will be available to help you understand so you can be successful in this class.

