



Middle School English Course Description (Academic year 2020/2021)

This course follows the Common Core State Standards for all grades. The main focus of this course is to study a variety of literary texts: fiction and nonfiction and functional writing by using HMH Into Literature provides everything you need to empower your students to love reading, hone their unique speaking and writing voices, and confidently communicate with the world. Daily opportunities to write, analyze, self-evaluate, and present combine with high-quality texts to propel growth. Along with Sadlier Grammar for Writing and Vocabulary Workshops books to help improve students' vocabulary, grammar, and reading skills through in-class learning activities and self-study and improve daily communication in English demonstrating familiarity with English semantic structure. In order to reach this goal, students will write for various audiences to inform, to describe, and to entertain. They continue to plan, draft, revise, and edit narrative, descriptive, and informational writing. Students will create a list of the sources they use and demonstrate in their writing a clear distinction between their own ideas and the ideas of others. They will engage in a variety of activities including digital learning, drills and practices, discussion, oral presentation, etc.