



Liberty Middle School

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Reading Lab

Mrs. Robin McConnell

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Classroom Digital Platforms	Webpage Link: https://www.madisoncity.k12.al.us/Page/7585 Schoology Link: https://madisoncity.schoology.com
Textbook Information	Webpage Link: https://www.madisoncity.k12.al.us/liberty Schoology Link: https://madisoncity.schoology.com/ No Red Ink: https://www.noredink.com/ Common Lit: https://www.commonlit.org/en IReady: https://login.i-ready.com/ iLit: https://mysavvastraining.com/products/ilit We will be reading the book <i>The Watsons go to Birminham-1963</i> -Other instructional materials are available in the Schoology platform.
Course Description	<i>Recommendation required by school based on data.</i> This course is designed for students who need support with reading related skills. For maximum success, parents, students, and academic support teachers communicate frequently to increase student success with these skills. Recommendation is determined by a student's academic performance and identified needs. Students may be re-evaluated at the end of each grading period and, if recommended by the teacher, may be moved out of the class into another elective, or may remain in the class.
Course Objectives	Reading lab I am excited to announce our school is implementing iLit, an innovative blended learning solution by Saavas, an intensive teacher-led digital reading intervention program for students in Grades 6 and up. The program is proven to accelerate reading growth by two years in a single school year! In Reading Lab class, your child and I will work together to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bring his or her reading proficiency up ● Apply reading and writing strategies to other subjects such as social studies, science, and math ● Develop writing skills ● Build knowledge and develop essential literacy skills for college and career readiness ● Develop a deep level of confidence in themselves and their reading abilities
Classroom Expectations	1 No cell phones allowed during instructional time. 2. Be seated and ready for class when the bell rings. Students tardy to class will receive a detention per LMS policy. 3. Come prepared for class. Bring all necessary supplies. 4. Respect your teacher, your classmates, and yourself. 5. If it's not yours, don't touch it. Keep your hands and feet to yourself. All students must follow the Madison City Schools Code of Conduct.
Progressive Discipline <i>(LMS Policy)</i>	Step 1: Verbal warning Step 2: Student/teacher conference Step 3: Parent contact/conference Step 4: Detention and a parent contact Step 5: Office referral
Grading Policy <i>(MCS Policy)</i>	60% = Assessments (Tests, Essays, Projects) 40% = Daily Grades (Quizzes, Homework, Classwork, and Participation)

<p>Late Work Policy</p>	<p>Late work will be accepted up to 3 days after the initial due date, with a deduction of 10 points each day it's late. After 3 days, the highest grade students can make is 70 percent. A late work form must be submitted with the late work for work to be graded.</p>
<p>Make-up Work/Test Policy</p>	<p>Students will be allowed to make up work for excused absences. Work should be made up in a timely manner. If unusual circumstances exist, the principal may extend the time allowed to complete the work. For unexcused absences, students will receive zeros for all work (including tests) missed.</p> <p>It is the student's responsibility to ask for make-up work. Students can get with a classmate or ask the teacher for help. Work that is not made up will become a zero (including quizzes/tests). Many times, missed quizzes and tests can be made up during school.</p>
<p>Materials & Supplies</p>	<p>You can find the LMS School Supply List on the LMS website.</p>
<p>Technology & Cell Phone Procedure</p>	<p>Students should bring their MCS chromebooks and chargers to class each day. Teachers utilize GoGuardian to monitor student activity and participation; however, students are responsible for their activity on school-issued devices and using their MCS accounts.</p> <p>Cell phones and earbuds/headphones will not be allowed to be used during classroom instruction time. Phones and earbuds/headphones will be put away in a location designated by the teacher and placed in silent mode. Students will have access to their phones and earbuds/headphones outside of classroom instruction time, such as between classes and during lunch, but devices should be put away when students are in the serving line. Failure to follow these procedures will result in a disciplinary referral to the office.</p> <p>LMS is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged devices.</p>
<p>Homework</p>	<p>Students are encouraged to read independently at home. Students MAY have homework if he/she does not complete assigned work during class time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>This syllabus is subject to change.</i></p>
<p>Parent & Student Acknowledgment Form</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Mrs. McConnell's Reading Lab Signature Form</p> <p>Please Complete the Following with either YES or NO in the blank, then sign below and return by FRI, AUG 9.</p> <p>_____ I have read and understand Mrs. McConnell's classroom policies, procedures, expectations, and syllabus.</p> <p>_____ My child will have internet access daily at home.</p> <p>_____ I have additional comments/concerns about my child. (If so, please list below or email me at rdmcconnell@madisoncity.k12.al.us)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Student signature: _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Parent signature: _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Today's date: _____</p>

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