



Liberty Middle School

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Reading Lab

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Classroom Digital Platforms	Webpage Link: https://www.madisoncity.k12.al.us/Domain/1077 Schoology Link: Will provide link in class Distribution List Link: Power Schools will be used for parent contact info
Textbook Information	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Read 180 Real Book Students will also utilize the online platform of the textbook
Course Description	Recommendation required by school based on data. 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	<p>Read 180, an innovative blended learning solution by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, is built to ensure all readers are on track to college, career, and beyond. Read 180 is a research-based program with proven results in raising student reading achievement. Read 180 uses cutting-edge technology to deliver individualized reading instruction for each student, provide valuable practice with essential reading skills and strategies, and motivate students to become confident and lifelong readers.</p> <p>In our Read 180 class, your child and I will work together to:</p> <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 <p>Read 180 will challenge your child to work hard, and by doing so, he or she can attain reading success. Offer encouragement and provide support at home by visiting the library, setting aside reading time, and discussing the books your child reads. Thank you in advance for helping us achieve our goals for your student. Together we will support your reader on the path to language, literacy, and learning!</p>
Course Outline	<p>Workshop 1: Social Studies “Stand Up” Workshop 2: Science/Social Studies “Water Fight” Workshop 3: Literature “Life in Dystopia” Workshop 4: US History/Social Studies “The Hunt for Lincoln’s Killer” Workshop 5: Science “Contagion” Workshop6: Life Issues “No Ordinary Sport” *units may be completed out of order</p>
Classroom Expectations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Be seated and ready for class when the bell rings. 2. Work Hard on every project 3. Take Pride in neat work. 4. Be collaborative team player 5. Build each other up 6. Never give up

<p>Progressive Discipline (LMS Policy)</p>	<p>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</p>
<p>Grading Policy (MCS Policy)</p>	<p>60% = Assessments (Tests, Essays, Projects) 40% = Daily Grades (Quizzes, Homework, Classwork, and Participation)</p>
<p>Late Work Policy</p>	<p>Students must request an extension before the due date. It will be approved at the teacher's discretion.</p>
<p>Make-up Work/Test Policy</p>	<p>Students with excused absences will be allowed to make-up all work within three days of returning to school. 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>Technology</p>	<p>Students will need computers for this class. We will be using Schoology and Read 180 HMH Central platform as a way to complete tests and assignments electronically. Misuse of any devices during class time will result in a behavior consequence. Student laptops should not be hard-wired to the network or have print capabilities. Use of discs, flash drives, jump drives, or other USB devices will not be allowed on Madison City computers. Neither the teacher nor the school is responsible for broken, stolen, or lost laptops. Laptops and other electronic devices will be used at the individual discretion of the teacher. Students should bring their device and charger to school each day.</p>
<p>Accommodations</p>	<p>Requests for accommodations for this course or any school event are welcomed from students and parents.</p>
<p>Ms. Kelley's Amazon Wishlist (These items are not required, but always appreciated!)</p>	