



Dear Parents,

Welcome to 8th Grade! This will be a memorable year for both you and your child. There are many new things to learn and experiences to be had here in Room 14.

The two areas of curriculum I will be teaching your child are English Language Arts (ELA) and Religion. Listed below are some of the topics we will be covering in class this year.

ELA – theme, summary, character analysis, points of view, compare/contrast, cite text evidence, figurative language, prefixes, suffixes, writing skills, nouns, verbs, pronouns, adjectives, adverbs, active/passive voice, and punctuation

Religion – Church history, Saints, Ten Commandments, Beatitudes, human conscience, sin, mercy, and psalms

For each trimester, your child will be graded on a point system. Major tests are worth 100 points, projects are worth between 25 and 75 points, homework is 50 points, and quizzes are based on the number of questions.

Homework is assigned during the week to reinforce what is learned in class and it must be completed the day it is due. For each missed homework assignment, five points will be deducted from the homework grade in that subject and a homework slip will be issued.

Lunch Detention slips will be issued this year for various types of infractions. Some of these would include inappropriate Chromebook use, disrespectful behavior, and inattention/wasting time in class. Please sign the slip the night it is sent home and return to school the next day.

I look forward to a wonderful year with your child. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. With your help and mine, your child will have a successful and memorable year.

Sincerely,
Mary Mullen
mmullen@sfaschool.com