***Syllabus Creative Writing 1***

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***What will Creative Writing 1 look like?***

* We will write everyday.
* We will practice with a variety of written forms—many you have probably never heard of.
* There will be a writing / picture prompt almost every day as bellwork.
* There will be mini-lessons on form, style, and technique where examples will be given.
* Then you will practice in order to add technique, depth, and voice to your writing.

***What do you need? How is work graded?***

* A notebook—either composition or spiral. I’m not too picky just no binders please. I will not accept loose sheets of paper (except for today’s activity).
* *Please have your notebook by next class*. I only have you for one semester and I like to get started right away.
* Notebooks will be collected approximately every two weeks. You will always have advance warning. If you are absent or didn’t complete an assignment, all assignments will be in Focus.
* I follow school board policy. There will be a date certain on all assignments.

***What will we learn?***

* Our main goal this semester is to write using effective words to convey tone and build on sounds and rhythms for emotional impact.
* We will practice using these forms of writing.
* Additional activities on adverbs, alliteration, dialogue, etc. will be included.
* You will learn, through activities, how to be more observant so you have more details to add to your writing.
* We will have fun trying new forms of writing!