



## Welcome to 9<sup>th</sup> grade!

### Let's get off on the right foot...

Wow! Freshman in high school! This is an awesome time in your life, but it is also a time when you need to be personally responsible. All your classes, especially ours, will set high expectations for your success and you will need to keep yourself organized, plan ahead, and set goals to reach your potential.

We hope to help you in any way necessary to reach those goals you have and we can't wait to see everything you are capable of this year!!!



### Your teachers...

#### Mrs. Evans

I graduated from UCF with my bachelor's degree in Social Science Education with a minor in English/ Language Arts Education and my master's degree in Exceptional Student Education with endorsements in both ESOL and Reading. Last year was my first-year teaching at UHS, and I love being a Titan; the previous five years I have taught middle school Civics. I am a mom of three who is constantly running between dance practices and Girl Scouts!

Some of my favorite things include: my family, snacking, boots, crafting, sarcasm, music, reading, purple, Harry Potter, soft blankets, TV (crime shows), diet coke, color-coding, musicals, the smell of pine trees, coloring

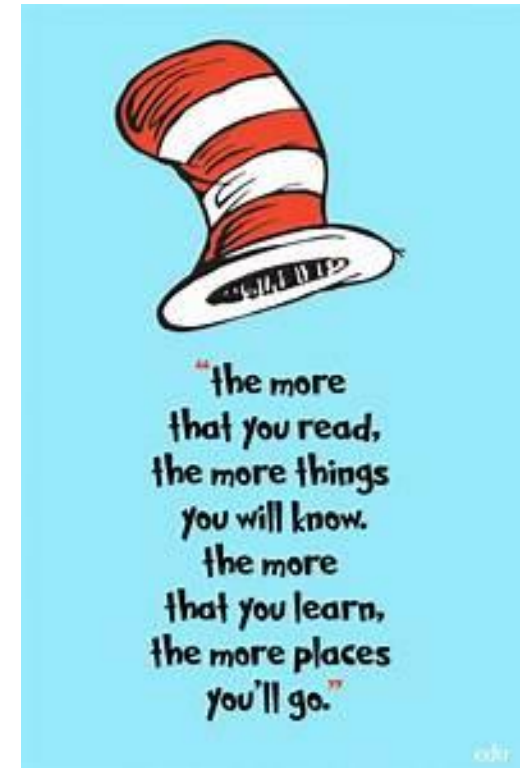
#### Ms. Frasco

I am a graduate from Daytona State College with my bachelor's degree in Education. I graduated with honors and a member of Kappa Delta Pi the International Honor Society of Education. Last year was my first-year teaching at UHS, and I am excited to make the jump from English to Reading! I have three boys of my own, and I am a graduate of Volusia County Schools. When I am not at school you will find me at baseball games with my son.

Some of my favorite things include: my family, the beach, music, Chick-Fil-A, the outdoors, purple and teal, Diet Coke, candy, being healthy, flip flops, the smell of coconut and pineapple



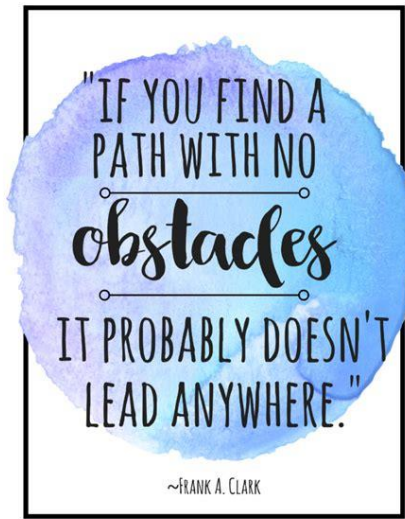
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### Homework

Students will be required to complete one assignment per month on USAtestprep. Each assignment will have multiple steps to complete (usually about 10). USAtestprep is a great site to prepare for FSA. Please manage your time wisely and make sure you are working consistently through the month to complete your homework (it will not be accepted late); we will not require any other homework throughout the year, unless you do not finish your work in class!



it's okay to NOT know.  
it's NOT okay to NOT try.

The goal of this course is to create more proficient readers. We are going to be analyzing VERY complex texts and we need to maximize our class time appropriately!

If you are coming into Intensive Reading, there are some gaps that need to be filled; our goal this year is to make learning fun and help you put all the puzzle pieces together to help you, not only our classes, but with skills you need in all your classes and in the future!

### Supplies/ Materials

Students will need:

- 3 ring binder (approx.. 1 inch)
- Pencils/ pens
- Highlighters

Classroom supplies (not mandatory):

- Tissues
- Hand sanitizer
- Paper (lined and computer)
- Cap erasers
- Additional pencils
- Handheld pencil sharpeners



### Grading

Volusia County Schools' policy states that 70% or higher meets proficiency on tests and examinations. If a student fails to meet proficiency, the student is entitled to intervention, which may lead to reassessments or alternative assignments, based upon individual student data and at the instructor's professional judgment. Additionally, according to VCS Secondary Grading Guidelines, during each nine-week grading period, students shall have the opportunity to have a reassessment on only one summative assessment. Any reassessment must be completed prior to the next assessment, and all formative assignments related to the reassessment must be completed prior to any reassessment.

*\*\*\*Students must initiate remediation and come in during office hours to complete this work\*\*\**

### Missing/ Late Work

Students are required to make up any work they missed. Attendance is very important; it is your responsibility attend tutoring during office hours if necessary.



### Expectations

- Prompt
- Prepared
- Positive
- Productive
- Polite

There are many requirements to graduate high school one is passing the ELA FSA. Intensive Reading is specifically designed to provide you the tools and skills to help you. YOU need to give 100% every day to reach the goals you have post- high school!

**\*\*\*You can access the course materials via the class website\*\*\***