Welcome to English 8!

Please read/fill out both sides of this sheet. Your student will receive credit for returning this assignment in a timely manner! Thank you!

Student Name__________________________________________________________

Class Period___________________________________________________________

Parent/Guardian Name(s)________________________________________________

Best phone number to call_______________________________________________

Best email (this is usually the best way for teachers to contact you)
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Please circle the statement that best describes your student’s internet access:

unlimited  limited  unavailable

Anything you would like me to know about your student?
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Parent/Student, please initial the following:

_____/_____I understand that students MUST always have an independent book in their possession.

I have read and understood the English 8 Syllabus and teacher expectations printed on the back of this sheet.

Parent/Guardian signature_______________________________________________

Student signature______________________________________________________
Mrs. Donaldson’s Classroom Expectations

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year! My name is Marianne Donaldson. I have lived in King George for over 13 years. I love to read and to write! Students can expect to write A LOT in my class as well as to read MANY books! Below are my classroom expectations. Please read and discuss them with your student. Educational success always stems from a collaboration between student, teacher and parent/guardian! Thank you for your support!

1. **Students must be committed to their education.**
   Students must take English class seriously. The ability to read and write skillfully will unlock many doors for them now and in the future. Students will not disturb their learning environment, nor the learning environment of their peers.

2. **Students are responsible for their own work.**
   In the event of an absence, it is the responsibility of the student to check the “Absent?” Center and discuss what needs to be made up with the teacher. Work must be turned in on time. Students are entitled to five days to make up absent work as per KGCS policy.

3. **Students are responsible for their own behavior.**
   Students are aware of the expected behavior during various types of activities within my classroom and should follow the expectations accordingly. Students should always be following the KGMS Code of Conduct, as outlined in the Parent/Student Handbook and following the RAP.

4. **Students should self advocate.**
   Eighth grade is the stepping stone to high school. At this juncture, students should be working to speak up for themselves when confused or curious. Students and parents should check PowerSchool regularly and contact me through email with any questions or concerns. Please know that students are always encouraged to seek me out when they need me as I am always available during class, Foxes Den, via email and a few minutes before and after school.

5. **Students must always have a book in their possession.**
   A large portion of the students’ English grade is their independent reading project. Students have a standing homework assignment of 20 minutes per night of reading. Random book checks will occur and a zero awarded to any student who does not have THEIR book to read. Students have access to books in my classroom library and our school library at all times. There is no need for students to purchase books on their own unless they desire to do so.