

# Grand River Collegiate Institute COURSE OUTLINE

For students and their families.

Course Name: Ontario Literacy Course Course Code : OLC4OB Curriculum Document http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/curriculum/secondary/ Prerequisite: unsuccessful attempt of OSSLT

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course emphasizes the development of literacy, critical thinking, and communication skills. Students will study the content, form, and style of informational texts and a variety of writing forms, as aligned with the OSSLT. An important focus will be on using language with precision and clarity.

**Essential Learnings/Expectations/Skills -** To be successful in this course you <u>must</u> be able to demonstrate understanding and proficiency with <u>all</u> of the following essential skills and expectations:

1) Portfolio:

Reading Tasks – Narrative Text (3); Graphical Text (4); Informational Text (5)

Writing Tasks – Summary Paragraph (2); Informational Paragraph (2); Series of Paragraphs (2); News Report (2)

2) Final Assessment Assignment

### EVALUATION

**Refer to the GRCI Web Site** <u>www.grc.wrdsb.ca</u> for Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting Policies as well as Academic Honesty and Late Policies.

Term Work 70% - Portfolio (Writing Tasks: 35% Reading Tasks: 35%)

Final Assessment 30% - A series of tasks demonstrating proficiency with all course elements

#### Procedures

Late and Missing Assignments: It is important for students to develop good personal management skills (such as time management and planning. These skills will be reflected in the **learning skills** area of the report card. It is expected that students will complete and submit all essential tasks as they are the opportunity for you to demonstrate your learning to your teacher.

**Attendance:** Attendance in classes is an important part of learning, and absences should be avoided. When a student is absent, a parent/guardian must call the school's attendance line on the date of absence, or provide a note explaining the absence for the student to submit the following day. Students are responsible for what they missed during their absence.

**Cheating and Plagiarism:** It is important for students to do their own best work. Most assignments for this class are done within the classroom, observed by the teacher, and this helps to minimize the chances of cheating and plagiarism. In the event that cheating or plagiarism occurs, the following consequences may be implemented, in consultation with administration, depending on the situation:

- 1. The student may be required to redo all or part of the assignment or assessment.
- 2. The student may be required to complete an alternate assignment or assessment.
- 3. The student's work may be treated as a missed assignment.

There may also be other consequences that are determined to be appropriate (e.g. detention, suspension, etc.) as per the school's progressive discipline process. Parents/guardians will be informed about the infraction and the consequences.

Please refer to the school website: <u>http://grc.wrdsb.ca/about/policies</u> for more details on these policies and other academic procedures.

#### Signatures

Please sign below indicating you have read and understand the requirements for successful completion of this course.

Student

Parent/Guardian