

Dear parents/guardians,

My name is Tonia Miller and I am excited to be the HPCA Middle School Language Arts Teacher and the 6<sup>th</sup> grade homeroom teacher for the 2018-2019 school year. This will be my 7<sup>th</sup> year teaching in this position, and my 12<sup>th</sup> year working at HPCA. I look forward to meeting you in person at the Middle School Parent Meeting in August. This year you and I will need to work together for your child to learn and grow!

I teach three subjects: **Reading, Writing, and Grammar**. Students will be expected to complete individual, partner, and group work in class. I deliver classroom instruction to appeal to different learning styles. Each day, the homework will be written on the board and students will be expected to copy it into their **planners**. Homework assignments will consist of Reading Log, grammar practice, essay writing, vocabulary word work, book reports, projects, and test prep. Also, students will be required to complete digital assignments using **Google Classroom, Quill.org**, and various other online learning platforms. Grades will be based on effort, completion, and mastery of skills. I will use a variety of assessments (quizzes, projects, tests, reports, essays, and oral presentations) to maximize student opportunities to show what they have learned. Lastly, I will use a classroom behavior system that includes warnings, Biblically-based discipline essays, and class rewards.

According to 1 Corinthians 12:14, "For the body is not one member, but many." Our partnership is key. You are your child's first and most important teacher. Question them about their school work, check their assignments, and be involved in the school in whatever capacity you can! You can view homework assignments and grades online through **Renweb**. Expect your child to bring home a Progress Report each week. Please contact me if you have questions about class work, homework, or behavior. You may contact me by email at [toniam@hpcaphilly.org](mailto:toniam@hpcaphilly.org) or by phone at 267-679-2189 between the hours of 3:00pm and 7:00pm. I look forward to teaching your children and getting to know you. With the Lord's help and our partnership, it will be a great school year.

Thank You,  
Tonia Miller

## Middle School Language Arts Supply List 2018-2019 School Year

**Purchase the following items for Language Arts: Reading, Grammar, & Writing.**

Item	Quantity and Description
70 Page Spiral Notebook	3 (2 for the beginning of the year and 1 for mid-year replacement)
Pack Loose Leaf Paper	2(1 for the beginning of the year and 1 for mid-year )
Composition Book	1 Book
Sticky Notes/Post-It Notes	2 Packs/400 Sheets (200 for the beginning of the year and 200 for mid-year replacement)
3 Prong Twin Pocket Folder	1 Folder ( <b>Red</b> for 6th grade, <b>Blue</b> for 7th grade, <b>Green</b> for 8th Grade)
3 Prong Poly (plastic) Twin Pocket Folders	<b>3</b> Folders in <b>any color</b> . The poly folders are made of plastic and last much longer.
Twin Pocket Folder	1 This should be a solid colored paper folder, not a shiny folder with designs.
Lined Index Cards	1 Pack
Pencils	3 Packs for throughout the school year. If the pencils are mechanical, buy lead refills.
Pens	3 Packs of pens: <b>2 Packs</b> with blue or black ink to use throughout the year and <b>1 pack of colored pens</b> (red, multi-color, etc.) for proofreading
Clear Tape	4 Rolls of clear tape to use throughout the year.
Highlighters	5 different colors like color orange, blue , yellow, purple, pink, or green
Glue Sticks	3 Sticks to use throughout the year
Scissors	1 Pair
Colored Pencils	1 Box
Markers	1 Box
Pencil Case or Pouch	1
Tissues	3 Boxes at the beginning of the year
Disinfecting Wipes	1 Container
Gallon Storage Bags	1 Box