

## MIDDLE SCHOOL LANGUAGE ARTS!

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 2017-2018 school year. This will be my 6<sup>th</sup> year teaching in this position, and my 11<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 partner to foster your child's academic, emotional, and spiritual growth. Our teamwork is key!

I will teach your child three subjects; **Reading, Writing, and Grammar**. The subjects, along with vocabulary and root word study, will be taught on an alternating schedule. Students will be expected to complete individual, partner, and group work in class. Homework assignments will include Reading Log, grammar practice, essay writing, vocabulary word study, book reports, and more. Also, students will be required to complete digital assignments using **Google Classroom**. Grades will be based on effort, completion, and mastery of skills. I will use a variety of assessments, including quizzes, projects, reports, essays, and oral presentations. Expect your child to bring home a progress report each week. Lastly, I use a classroom behavior system that includes warnings, biblically-based discipline essays, and class rewards.

Our regular communication is very important. I use the **Remind App**, letters sent with the students, email, and text messages to communicate with parents. Homework assignments and grades will be available online through **Renweb**. Please contact me if you have questions about class work, homework, or behavior. You may contact me by email at toniam@hpcaphilly.org or by phone at 267-679-2189 between the hours of 3:00pm and 6:00pm. 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 2017-2018 School Year

## Please purchase the following items for the Language Arts classes; Reading, Grammar, and Writing.

Item	Quantity and Description
70 Page Spiral Notebook	2 (1 for the beginning of the year and 1 for mid-year)
Loose Leaf Paper	2(1 for the beginning of the year and 1 for mid-year )
Composition Book	1
Sticky Notes/Post-It	2 Packs/400 Sheets (200 for the beginning of the year and 200 for
Notes	mid-year) Dollar Tree sells packs of 200 and 250 sticky notes.
Narrow Sticky Notes/	1 Pack. Dollar Tree sells narrow sticky notes and flags.
Flags	
3 Prong Twin Pocket	3 ( <u><b>Red</b></u> for 6th grade, <u><b>Blue</b> f</u> or 7th grade, <u><b>Green</b></u> for 8th Grade) <b>These</b>
Folders	may get worn out and need to be replaced mid-year.
Twin Pocket Folder	1 ( <b><u>Red</u></b> for 6th grade, <u><b>Blue</b></u> for 7th grade, <u><b>Green</b></u> for 8th Grade) 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. They are sold at Dollar Tree.
Pens	3 Packs of pens. 2 Packs with blue or black ink to use throughout the
	year. 1 Pack of colored pens (red, multi-color, etc.) for proofreading
	and note taking.
Clear Tape	4 Rolls of clear tape to use throughout the year.
Highlighters	5 (1 of each color orange, blue, yellow, pink, green) These are used
	for color coding notes and comprehension strategies.
Glue Sticks	3 Sticks to use throughout the year.
Scissors	1 Pair
Colored Pencils	2 Boxes (1 for the beginning of the year and 1 for mid-year)
Markers	2 Boxes (1 for the beginning of the year and 1 for mid-year)
Pencil Case or Pouch	1
Tissues	2 Boxes at the beginning of the year.
Hand Sanitizer	1 Bottle
Paper Towels	1 Roll
Disinfecting/Clorox	1 Container
Wipes	
Gallon Storage Bags	1 Box

\*A mid-year supply list may be sent to help replenish supplies.