WEEK 11 MESSAGE for ENGLISH I-1st Period (Week of OCT 19th – OCT 23rd)

Dear Students & Parents,

I hope everyone had a wonderful and restful academic break! As we look to the weeks ahead, there are a few suggestions that I would like to share on how students can improve their academic performance. Just a reminder, we will have a cumulative mid-term in December, and I will communicate that date in the coming weeks.

- 1. **ATTENTION:** Please look for an additional resource from me entitled, "**Tips for Improving Grades During Distance Learning**", which will have important information about how to enhance students' overall learning experiences, as well as increase their overall average. (See separate email sent to both students and parents)
 - ➤ Be sure to check out the **Grizzly Social Corner** in your 1st period modules too! This information is provided by our Student Support Services Team.
 - > Please see Mrs. Vereyken's email regarding additional school wide announcements for parents and students.
- 2. UPCOMING ASSESSMENTS: NEXT WEEK...
 - Greek Myths TEST Tuesday, October 27th from 9:00AM-11:59PM
 - > This test/quiz must be completed during the testing window; there is no extension of time for tests unless an excused absence.
- 3. Our Canvas Conference is ENGLISH I-1st Period Tuesday, October 20th @ 9:00am

During this week's conference, we will review the literary devices of theme and imagery, as well as discuss the myths about the Greek heroes Odysseus and Theseus. We will continue our study of Greek myths this week, adding symbolism and irony to our literary analysis.

- 4. **TUTORING**: I offer small group/individual tutoring sessions **at the end of our weekly Canvas conferences**, so please plan to attend this week's meeting for extra support. Additional tutoring time for ENGLISH I is Tuesday afternoons from 3:00-3:30pm **by appointment**, so please contact me if interested.
- 5. **Be sure to log into your school email and Canvas each day.** You should work on Block classes Mon-Wed-Fri and work on Period classes Tues-Thurs. I highly recommend using a calendar to help you stay on track! This is the best way to avoid MISSING ASSIGNMENTS! *For Term 2 students will not be able to turn in assignments after the weekly 11:59pm Sunday deadline unless they have an excused absence.*
- 6. Remember to email techsupport@cgsnc.org will any technical or computer issue. Please email canvasassistance@cgsnc.org if there is an issue within Canvas. The "Getting Started in Canvas" module for all classes should address the most common features for navigation, work completion, and submitting assignments.

Also, during the month of October, the CGS Student Council is sponsoring a pumpkin contest. Please submit your school appropriate pictures/images to me if you wish to participate in this event. For more details, see the flyers on the CGS website. As always, please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,