



DUTCH FORK MIDDLE SCHOOL

<p>Course: Literacy Lab - Grade 8 Instructor: Kristi Grooms Email: kngrooms@lexrich5.org Assistant: Linda Johnson Email: ljjohnson@lexrich5.org Phone: 476-4800 ext. 4872 Website: https://www.lexrich5.org/Page/1714</p>	<p>South Carolina Uniform Grading Scale A= 100-90 B= 89-80 C= 79-70 D= 69-60 F= Below 60</p>
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Course Description: Literacy Lab is a reading strategies program which helps students develop strategies for decoding vocabulary as they read, increasing comprehension while they are reading, and develop questioning skills about their reading. The purpose of this course is to extend learning in order to assist students to reach grade level expectations.

Textbook: Literacy Lab uses a leveled literacy intervention program that individualizes instruction by meeting students on their personal reading level. We have a strong technology component in our classroom and will be utilizing the chromebooks to integrate parts of our curriculum. We also use various novels, high interest informational texts, poetry, short stories, and picture books to teach reading concepts and strategies. We have no textbook at this time.

Instructional Goals: The instructional goals of Literacy Lab are the following:

- To teach reading strategies in order for our students to improve reading comprehension, fluency, stamina, & word recognition.
- To engage in small group and independent activities in order to apply literacy strategies and interventions.
- To teach study skills and organizational skills to encourage student success in all core classes.

Assessments/Grading:

Major Assessments (Test/Project) 50%
Minor Assessments (Quiz) 30%
Homework/Classwork 20%

Grades will be updated routinely and parents are invited to monitor student progress through Parent Portal, by contacting me via email, or through a phone call or conference.