

# **Julia Landon College Preparatory and Leadership Development School Curriculum Paper**

Course Title: Critical Thinking: Leadership in the Global Community

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Mission Statement: Our Mission at the Julia Landon College Preparatory and Leadership Development School is to create college bound students with a deep commitment to public service and a true understanding of their leadership skills within the global community.

Course Overview:

Tentative Course Outline:

1st Nine-Weeks:

- Storytelling Unit
- Three school-based project units
- Five Greatbooks discussions
- Five global book topic analyses

2nd Nine-Weeks:

- Two school-based project units
- One Global Community PSA
- Five Greatbooks discussions
- Five global book topic analyses

Student Evaluation:

- 100 points: Pre-test and Post-test on Critical Thinking Standards
- 200 points: Portfolio with two pieces of evidence for every Critical Thinking Standard
- 500 points: Rubric evaluation on five school-based projects, and
- 200 points: Rubric evaluation on Global Community PSA
- Total:  
1000 points

Educational Materials needed for Leadership in the Global Community:

- Package of printer paper for projects
- Jump/thumb drive
- Signed/returned parental permission slip for technology use
- One yellow folder with lined paper

**Homework/Late Work Policy:** Late work will not be accepted except due to absences.  
Contact Ms. Peacock-Preston via e-mail for emergencies.

**Make-up Work Policy:** Check the project checklist as soon as your return from an absence. Assignments are to be completed within two days of an absence. Tests are announced and reviewed and are expected to be taken as soon as possible upon return to class.

**Grade Recovery Policy:** Students will be offered grade recovery as outlined in the Duval County Pupil Progression Plan found on the Duval County Public Schools web page.

**Parent/Teacher Conferences:** Contact Guidance 904.346.5650. Team Conferences are scheduled first period.

**Tutoring Schedule:** Students must personally make arrangements for tutoring. Limited availability.

**Grading Scale:** Students will be evaluated in accordance with the standard Duval County Public Schools' grading scale.

**Progress Reports:** In addition to report cards issued at the end of each quarter, students will receive progress reports on September 8 and 29, November 7, December 5, February 9, March 3, April 22, and May 13. Students earning a grade of "D" or "F" on a progress report will be required to return the progress report signed by the parent/guardian within two days.

**Other Information:** Students and Parents are encouraged to access information about the class activities and schedules by accessing the teacher's page through the school's web site. The student agenda is an excellent way to keep our home-school-home communication link strong. Students will use the agenda daily for recording assignments. It is also a good place for parents to write a quick note to the teacher or for the teacher to write a quick note to the parents. Please check the agenda frequently. Students will be using technology heavily during this course. If ever there is a question about the use of technology in the classroom, please contact Ms. Peacock-Preston.