

# **Advanced Middle School Writing**

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## **Class Description:**

Welcome to Advanced Middle School Writing! In this course, 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade students will learn tools and strategies to craft words, phrases, and sentences into quality paragraphs and essays. This class helps prepare students for high school essay writing. They will read portions of esteemed literature as models to develop their own style and shape their pieces of writing. Mini-lessons, group discussions, peer feedback, and instructor feedback will be foundational in this class. Writing is a process which includes - brainstorming, drafting, revising, editing, and publishing. Students will go through this process and become BETTER readers, writers, and thinkers. *\*Students should have successfully completed a middle school writing class before taking Advanced Writing.\**

## **About Kristen Greene:**

Kristen has been a tutor at KAT for several years, in which she tutors students who are diagnosed with or suspected of dyslexia. Before tutoring at KAT, she taught at Quincy Community Schools as a middle school teacher of ELA. She earned her Bachelor's of Science Degree from Taylor University with a major in Elementary Education and minor in English.

## **Cost:**

Tuition is \$425 for the year. A \$25 deposit is due at registration to secure a spot in the class. \$200 is due the first week of class in September. For second semester, \$200 is due the first week in January.

## **Materials:**

Students will need paper, a binder, and writing utensils. A home laptop or computer is encouraged, but not required, for out-of-class work.

## **Drop Policy:**

If a student needs to drop class, within the first 4 classes of the semester, tuition will be refunded on a pro-rated basis for the number of classes left in the semester, less a small amount for the church building rental fee.

## **Class Expectations:**

Students will be expected to attend class, participate in class, group, and partner discussions, and complete weekly homework and/or writing assignments. In the event of an absence, please see or email Kristen for notes, materials, and/or assignments.