

Dear Families,

Welcome to your first middle school English Language Arts and Reading (ELAR) class! We are excited about our plans this year, and we look forward to working with you. This year we hope to support our students' development as critical readers and writers through reader's and writer's workshop and with multiple opportunities for them to engage with a variety of texts. By the end of this school year, our students will be prepared for success in their future ELAR classes.

Our ELAR TEKS, the foundation of our curriculum, ask students to engage in reading, writing, listening, speaking, and thinking. Additionally, students will