

## WRITING EXPECTATIONS

### **For all writing in my class that is typed or on loose leaf paper**

1. 1” margins on top, bottom and both sides for all assignments even rough drafts
2. Draw one line through mistakes and continue on **OR** rewrite
3. Complete headings on all work as shown above
  - I will give your papers back to you to redo. This will irritate you. This will irritate your parents! They might get mad at me. They will get mad at you! I will still make you do it correctly, even though I will be sorry about it.
4. Final papers are neat, clean, and have few corrections.
  - That means no torn up papers with ratty edges. When you hand in work on loose leaf paper, it will not be icky. Sloppy work will be returned to try again! You will cry. You will get angry. You will say foul epithets under your breath at me. I will hear those negative thoughts, and I will feel bad. You will still have to do it.

### **Essays**

1. 3 or 5 paragraphs
2. 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph is the introduction
3. Last paragraph is the conclusion
4. No extra lines between paragraphs
5. Rough drafts should be double spaced
6. Pencil, blue or black ink only – that doesn't mean green --- sometimes typed
7. You will write in class most of the time

### **Paragraphs**

1. At least 100-150 words
2. 1<sup>st</sup> sentence is an introductory sentence
3. Last sentence is a concluding sentence
4. Rough drafts should be double spaced
5. Pencil, blue or black ink only

### **Short Answers**

1. Two to three sentences
2. Blue or black ink or pencil acceptable
3. You may skip a line between answers