I am so excited to be a part of your journey as critical readers, writers, and thinkers. In English class, we will build the literacy skills you will need to read, write, listen, and speak effectively in the 21st century. Thanks to the internet and the reality that we have instant access to information on devices we can hold in our hands, you need to become even more mindful consumers and producers of information. You will use the skills you develop in English class not only when we read novels and informational texts and write essays in our class but you should use these skills in every other class you take and *in every day of your lives*.

We are so fortunate to have a class set of Chromebooks so we are mostly paper-free in ELA! You will hear all about that in class.

If you ever have any questions or concerns, feel free to email me at <u>dgrandits@ktufsd.org</u>.

Here's to a great year!

Dr. Grandits