

Ghost (Scary) story assignment (50 pts):

Today you will begin the process of writing a ghost story worthy of the name. Your short story must be submitted in its final form electronically by Oct. 22, 11:59 pm. You have a lot of liberties with this assignment, so be creative, but keep in mind that this will need to be school appropriate. Also, remember that blood and gore is not something that is spooky, and it may cause your entry to be turned down rather than accepted. Your tale must be written in Times New Roman 12pt font, no more than **three** pages (single spaced) and PDFed for submission (I will demonstrate this in class).

Final Revised Story Due electronically on Oct. 22th by 11:59pm__submitted online AS A PDF file to contests@saugus.net and bccing Mrs. Mai at cmai@lcps.org.

Please log on to Saugus.net and find the Halloween writing contest to read the winners from previous years! It will help you understand the variety of writing the are looking for!

Did you check for spelling, grammar, and punctuation errors?

Writing check list (make sure you include the following):

- ___ 2 metaphors
- ___ 2 similes
- ___ Dialogue (can be internal dialogue, if necessary)
- ___ Did you set the mood?
- ___ Did you develop your characters sufficiently? (think: direct and indirect characterization)

Categories	Point
Suspense and detail; good plot development	/10
Figurative language: metaphors, similes, alliteration, etc.	/10
Intro hook	/10
Grammar/attention to details	/10
Story length (3 pages) max.	/10
Total:	/50