

## COURSE SYLLABUS

World Geography Room 1413

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**Course Description:** World Geography is a course designed to help provide students with the basic understanding of the interrelationship between physical and human geography.

### Main World Geography Topics:

- The 5 themes of Geography
- • Introduction to the basics of physical & human geography
- • United States and Canada
- • Latin America (includes Middle America and South America)
- • Europe, Russia, and the former Soviet Republics
- Africa
- • Southwest Asia (The Middle East)
- • East and Southeast Asia
- • South Asia, with a focus on India
- • Australia and New Zealand
- • Various geography-related topics will be covered, including modern geographical concerns and their historical roots

### Forms of Assessment:

- **TEST: (Major)** Tests will be given to evaluate knowledge of selected subject matter using different forms of assessment (multiple choices, true/false, completion, matching, and some essays). Test will typically coordinate with the end of a chapter/unit, **but in some cases may not**.
- **QUIZZES: (Daily)** Quizzes are not worth as many points as exams, but are an important part of assessing knowledge and work habits. I reserve the right to give a quiz at any time, particularly if I see that students are not fulfilling their requirements (assigned reading, class participation, and paying attention in class).
- **Projects: (Major)** throughout the year students will participate in creative projects that are related to the coursework. These projects will vary in both form (papers, posters, debates, presentations) and their point value. Projects are another way to assess knowledge. So enjoy working on them!
- **Daily Work: (Daily)** will consist of students working independently, with partners, and small groups. These assignments will be graded based on completion and correction.

**Grading Scale:**

A =90-100	B = 80-89	C = 75-79
D = 70-74	F = 69 or below	

**Major Grades = 35%**

**Daily Grades = 30%**

**Minor = 15%**

**Quiz = 20%**

**Policies:**

- Any late assignment as well as grades below 50 may be redone for a 70!

**Makeup Work:**

- Tests must be taken upon return from absence. The student will be given the same amount of days missed leading up to a test to make it up. Therefore, if you miss two days then you will have two days to make it up. Tests are made up outside of class time and at a place agreed upon by both student and teacher. If the student fails to make up the test at the agreed upon time and place, then the score for that test will be ZERO. Please act responsibly when making up tests. All make up assignments will be located in a tray on the counter. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO PICK UP MISSED WORK.

**Class rules:**

- Be Respectful
- Come with good attitude ready to work

**Materials Needed:**

- A pen or pencil. You cannot take notes or do the assignments without something to write with.
- 1 large spiral notebook with pouches or three spiral (100 pages or less) notebooks
- Markers or colored pencils
- Hand Sanitizer

**Extra Credit:**

- Throughout the year, students will be given extra points for supplies, outstanding work, cleanliness, and good work habits.

**Tutoring:**

- I am available for tutoring upon request