** World Geography Syllabus**

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**Course Description**

World Geography provides students the opportunity to study the interaction of people and their physical environments in the major areas of the World. Content introduces the student to the world of geographers, their unique vocabulary, tools, and methodologies. Students acquire an understanding of the physical setting of the earth, locate and study different landforms and regions of the world, learn how people and geography impact each other, and are introduced to urban analysis. Content also offers the student the opportunity to put into practice the geographical concepts and skill through critical thinking applications about the world. It also builds upon what the student has accumulated through the social studies program beginning in the elementary grades and in the Texas and United States History courses.

**Supplies:**

* **Your charged laptop**
* **Binder/Folder**
* Notebook Paper

**\*\*\*\*Pen/Pencil (you must have something to write with EVERYDAY**)



**Classroom Expectations:**

1. **RESPECT:** You are expected to be respectful to me, your classmates at all times. Disrespect will not be tolerated.
2. **Preparation:** Come to class with your materials and prepared to participate in the lesson.
3. **Honesty and Integrity:** I have a **NO TOLERANCE** policy on cheating or plagiarism
4. **100% Effort:** You are expected to actively participate in the class, complete assignments, and be prepared for assessments.

**Grades:**  Major tests and major projects will count as 60% and all other grades will be 40%.  Graded activities will include written essays, presentations, class work, homework, and quizzes.  Social Studies testing days are ***Tuesday and Friday****.*

* **Absences**: If you are absent you will need to get make up assignments the day you return. Makeup assignments and tests will be due within ***ONE WEEK*** of the original due date. It is your responsibility to check the calendar and Canvas to obtain and complete your missed assignments.

* **Late Work**: Late work will be done and accepted only on days of designated late work tutorials prior to the major assessment. Students are allowed to do two late assignments per cycle. (Special circumstances may apply.)   After the unit test no late work will be accepted containing material on that test.
* **Re-takes**: Students can retake any Major Grade that they scored below a 70 on for a maximum grade of 70. To re-take an assessment, you must the required review activity and complete your retake at the designated tutorial times.
* **Testing Policy**: Students will place all bags, backpacks and cellphones at the front of the classroom. Cheating will not be tolerated.  If all rules are not followed the teacher will assume cheating as taken place.

**Classroom Rules and Procedures**

1. **Arrival: Be on time and prepared for class.**
	* **ID: You must have an ID to enter the classroom and be in dress code.**
	* **Remove all ear buds and put away cell phones BEFORE you enter the room.**
	* **Tardies:** There is a school-wide tardy policy in effect. You will not be admitted into the classroom after the bell rings without a tardy pass.
2. **Raise your hand to speak—**do not speak without permission!
3. **Remain in your seats during instruction**: All students must be in their seats when the bell rings AND before the class is dismissed.
4. **PROPER BEHAVIOR AT ALL TIMES**: No Profanity, NO PUT DOWNS! Everyone’s opinion in class matters. ESPECIALLY YOURS!
5. **NO EATING AND DRINKING:** No Food or Beverages except for bottled water in the classroom.
	* You will not be allowed to enter the classroom with any food or drinks (besides water).
6. **All school-wide policies and procedures will be followed including the following:**
	* **School ID must be worn at all times.**
	* **Dress Code will be enforced**
	* **Tardy policy will be followed**
7. **Cell Phone/Electronics Policy:** NO CELL PHONES OR EARBUDS VISIBLE during instruction! Students are only permitted to have cell phones visible/in use ONLY with the my permission. This is a privilege that must be earned and is **completely at the teacher’s discretion. I WILL LET YOU KNOW WHEN/IF YOU CAN HAVE THEM OUT.**

 **I am looking forward to a fun and successful year with you! If you need any extra help, just ask☺**