

Course: Current Events

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Planning Period: 8:20-9:00 am

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Feel free to contact me during my plan period with any questions or concerns you may have. I am also available by email or phone. The school phone number is (316)-777-2022.

Daily Classroom Supplies:

- Three-ring binder, loose-leaf notebook paper
- Blue or black pen
- # 2 pencil
- Folder

Textbook: There is no required textbook for this course

Course Objectives: Students will work towards gaining a better understanding of world, national, and local trends and events happening at this time. Through daily work, readings, and assignments, students will learn about and study what is happening in our world, our country, and our community today.

Course Description: Throughout this quarter, we will investigate what is happening in the world today, including significant events, important people, current trends, political changes, and more! Specific things we will learn about this quarter include political elections, world affairs, sporting events, government issues, entertainment and style, science and technology, and other important events that arise! Students will study news stories, search the internet, watch videos, partake in group discussions, and complete projects to grow in their knowledge of the world.

Homework and Assignments Policy: All homework and assignments will be due when I call for them. Assignments should be neat and legible or they will receive no credit. (I reserve the right to make specific exceptions on late work in emergency situations!)

Evaluation Process: Grades include daily assignments, bell ringers, in-class participation points, projects, and quizzes.

Cheating: If a student is caught cheating, he/she will receive a **zero** on the assignment and a parent/guardian will be notified. Some examples of cheating include:

- Using another students' work to complete your own-in this instance *both* students will receive a zero
- Using notes or cheat sheet on a quiz or test

Make-up work and Absences: If a student is absent, it is his or her responsibility to check with me to find out what work they may have missed. Please be sure to read the policy in the student agenda book on make-up work. This is the policy that will be followed.

Additional Help: If a student needs help outside of class, please let me know as soon as possible! I am available certain times both before and after school, and am more than willing to work with different schedules. If there are questions or problems on a specific assignment, project, or topic, don't wait until the assignment is due to ask for help.

Classroom Rules: The school-wide classroom rules outlined in the agenda book will be followed. My classroom rules include:

- Be on time to class
- Come prepared each day
- Be respectful of others, yourself, and the instructor
- No food in the classroom
- Have a positive attitude

I have read the course syllabus and understand what is expected of my child. For remembering to have a parent's signature, my child has earned his/her first 10 points for Current Events. If I need a copy of this syllabus, I can find a link on Miss Mangas' teacher webpage.

Parent or Guardian's Signature

Student's Signature

**I look forward to an awesome 9 weeks with
you!**