Lexington High School

Room 813 7:45-3:45 Monday-Friday

Geography

Mr. Galvan

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Course Objectives:

1) Students will understand the five themes of geography and how they relate to life on Earth.
2) Students will understand the environmental, cultural, and economic differences of various regions and countries of the Earth.
3) Students will be aware of the major types of governments and religions of the major societies of the world.
4) Students will further their knowledge of the impact that Globalization has on Human Geography
5) Students will understand the different varieties of resources used today.

Course Description

This course provides an introduction to the study of the world through a Geographic perspective. The course will study the impact and major themes of geography, the understanding of the environmental, cultural, and economic differences of various regions around the earth, the major types of governments of major societies around the world, and develop further knowledge of the impact that resources and globalization have on our world today.

Expectations:

- Be responsible, respectful, and accountable for your actions.
- Demonstrate critical thinking skills.
- Come to class ready to work with a charged iPad (or else you will take notes the old-fashioned way!)
- Work together cooperatively with your partner.
- Participate in class every day.
- Don't be late to class!

Classroom Rules:

- Be neat and respectful within the classroom.
- Do not move desks randomly (and if you do, please return them to their original position).
- No food.
- Use appropriate language and keep your hands to yourselves.

- Restroom policy: Please use the 700 hallway restroom before class or wait till the last 10 min of class. Online passes will need to be made.
- 0 phone and headphone/earbuds tolerance. (Unauthorized use will result in detention.)
- Being late to class will result in a 10-minute detention after school.

- No moving from assigned seating

Communication: I am happy to assist students with questions outside of the classroom, and I encourage every student to self-advocate if they need clarification. The best way to contact me is through my email address at any time of the day.

Class material:

- IPad
- Notebook and Pencil (optional)

Grading Policies:

Summative assessment: 60% (tests, quizzes, projects, and papers)

Formative assessment: 40% (homework, classwork)

Each quarter makes up 45% of the semester grade. In addition, a final exam will be given that will make up 10% of the overall grade.

Late and Absent Work: In the case of an excused absence, absent work will be accepted for full credit on a date that is dependent on the extent of the absence. Late work due to unexcused absences, tardiness, or general forgetfulness will be worth a maximum of 60% on formative assessments, and late Summative Assignments will be considered 0 till turned in.

- Remember to communicate with me when absent! Incomplete assignments are unacceptable.

- IT IS ALWAYS BETTER TO MAKE UP FOR MISSING WORK.

Cheating/Plagiarism: If cheating/plagiarizing, suspected cheating, or attempted cheating takes place, you will receive an automatic zero on the assignment and appropriate disciplinary action. Unauthorized use of AI will result in the same penalty as cheating/plagiarism.

I have reviewed the syllabus with my son or daughter and acknowledge that we understand the classroom expectations and policies for this course. Please return it signed.

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Student – sign	Parent – sign
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Date	Date