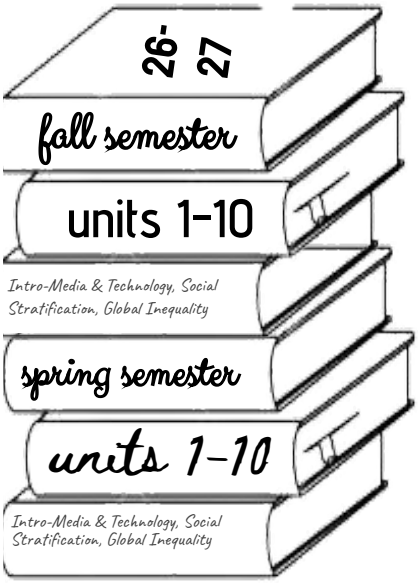
SOCIOLOGY

Sociology

with Mrs. Mouchka
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course objectives

Students will analyze and evaluate the science of sociology and how societies interact with each other through this semester long course. We will look at both the past and present theories of sociology, culture, social interactions, as well as the individual in society and social classes.

GOOGLE CLASSROOM

Please be sure to enroll in our Google Classroom. If you are absent, daily agendas and all assignments that can be completed at home are located there **without** contacting Mrs. Mouchka.

EXTRA CREDIT

Extra credit is not offered in this class.

PowerSchool

It is your responsibility to check PowerSchool for your current grade.

COMMUNICATION

Mrs. Mouchka prefers to communicate to parents and students through email. If you have questions or concerns about policies, procedures, or your grade, please email me.



Students are required to bring the following to class:

- iPad & charger
- 1 1/2-inch three ring binder
- Pen/Pencil

grading categories

EXAMS & PROJECTS	HOMEWORK	FINAL
60%	40%	10%

retake policy

Tests: Retakes can be done once per quarter if review was done prior to test. To retake a test you have to fill out the request to retest form no more than 3 school days after the original test grade was entered into PowerSchool. Ex. You get grade on Friday-retake request is due Wednesday.
No retakes for final.

ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

Cheating will not be tolerated. Cheating occurs whenever a student attempts to take credit for someone else's effort, that includes copying or paraphrasing from the internet/classmates. **Any student found cheating will receive a 0% for the assignment, and be unable to re-do the assignment for credit.**
If you send an assignment to a classmate and they submit the same work you do, both will receive a zero.

film

Films, or clips of films, may be shown in this class.

food

In general, food + drinks are allowed in my class. Food is not allowed to be shared between students and is not allowed out during lessons or w/Ipads out. Drinks=Water ONLY!

late work

Absent students will makeup exams the next class day unless arranged with Mrs. Mouchka *prior* to the absence.

Missing assignments/tests and late work will be marked as a 0 in the grade book until turned in. 0 in the grade book until turned in. Late work will be started at 70% and go down from there.

PERFORMANCE TASKS

COURSEWORK

We will be doing something in this class every day! Do not ask for free days.



class policies, norms, and expectations

Tests

A culminating test will be given at the end of each unit. The tests in this class will be challenging and will require you to process and analyze the content that you have been given in class. Tests may consist of multiple choice, short answers, open response essay questions, analysis of maps, charts or graphs, matching, and long essay. They require preparation. A study guide will be given for each unit test and time will be allotted in class for review.

Class Work/Participation:

Smaller assignments and activities will be done in class on a daily basis. Class work assignments will be graded for accuracy and completeness. All daily work should be kept in your notebook.

Projects

Some units in this class will require you to complete an individual or group project. These projects will require time outside of class for research and creation. A grading rubric will be given for each project. Since they count as a test grade, they are extremely important. Do NOT procrastinate!

Importance of binder

Everything we do in class will be recorded in your binder. I will provide the information for binder.. Binders will be due at the end of each unit, and will ALWAYS be a great tool to use in preparing for unit tests.

Homework

Instead of carrying around a heavy textbook, we will use a binder throughout this course. This will help you stay organized while focusing on the most important concepts.

Each unit will include a homework packet that is due on the day of the test. This packet is designed to reinforce the material we cover in class and help you prepare for the assessment. <u>If classwork is not completed during class, you will be expected to make it up before or after school.</u>

I expect everyone to put forth their best effort every day. Throughout the year, we'll complete a variety of assignments, including both visual and written projects, so everyone has an opportunity to showcase their strengths and demonstrate what they are capable of.

If the STUDENT does not behave responsibly, the STUDENT may experience…

- ...a lower grade than what they are capable of due to their own distraction and inattention.
- …having to make a call home to explain their actions to their parents.
- …a parent or administrative conference.
- …other penalties as deemed appropriate for the actions or behaviors.

Leaving the class

If you have to leave the classroom because you are not prepared, I will mark you as tardy. If you have to use the restroom, just tell me. If it becomes an everyday thing I'm going to get suspicious and suspend these privileges! However if you are caught up on everything or currently have great grades you may be granted an pass when desired.

Free Time

If you have completed all of your work to the highest expectations, you may choose from one of the following activities:

1. Work on assignments for another class.
2. Read a book.
3. Participate in an approved creative activity.

Please use your free time productively. Sleeping, using free time as social time, or distracting others is not permitted.

class policies, norms, and expectations

BE POLITE
You are expected to show respect & kindness toward others, always. There is *zero tolerance* for disrespectful behavior toward Mrs. Mouchka, your classroom, and your peers.

BE PREPARED
Arrive on time!

Per school policy, on time means you are *ready to work, with all necessary materials out,* when the bell rings. If you are not in your seat and have not talked to Mrs. Mouchka you will be counted tardy.

In this class that means that you are quietly working on the Bell Work when the bell rings.

BE PRODUCTIVE
Use all class time wisely.

Always give your best effort on all class assignments.

I have high expectations for each of you. Poor work will be handed back to be redone.

You are responsible for your own learning!

BE POSITIVE
Bring a growth mindset to class every day!

Be kind!

Listen attentively when others, especially Mrs. Mouchka, are speaking. Choosing to talk over others, or in spite of others, is unacceptable.

respect

Most importantly, each student is expected to show the utmost respect and kindness in the classroom. This ranges from appreciating the opinions and contributions of other students to obeying classroom rules and respecting school property. Disrespectful behavior will result in a detention and letter home. If the behavior is continued further steps will be taken.

SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS...
...are not late to class.
...do not speak out of turn.
...do not curse in class.
...do not use headphones (airPods).
...**do not get out of their seat.**
...do not line up at the door.
...keep their hands to themselves.



Per school policy, students are required to keep their cell phones /AirPods put away and smart watches left alone for the duration of class time.

- If a cell phone rings, chimes, alarm goes off, etc. the phone will be taken away and the student has to serve a **30 minute** detention before they can get it back.
- If a student is using AirPods during class without being instructed to do so the AirPods will be taken away and the student has to serve a **30 minute detention** before they can get them back. If this happens 3 times the students AirPods will be taken away for the rest of the semester.

DOs:

→ Put away all electronic devices that are not your iPad. (Phones, AirPods, etc.)

DON'Ts:

→ Keep your phone on your person in class-leave it in your bag.
→ Use your SmartWatch during class.

Signature of the Syllabus Parent/Guardian sheet will be due Wednesday August 20th, 2025.

I look forward to the exciting and challenging year ahead of us! Let's have a great year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mouchka