

Global Issues Class Requirements

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Welcome to Global Issues! Our world is an amazing place, full of fascinating cultures, which were formed by drama-laden history. The goal of this class is to understand what is going on in our world today by exploring the historical events and developments that created the 21st century world in which we live. We will accomplish this goal by focusing on how technology, medicine, engineering, warfare, human trafficking, natural disasters, child labor, human rights, drug use, reform movements, etc. have shaped our past and are impacting people around the world today. For this class, you will research various topics, present your findings, participate in debates, create projects, learn to evaluate documentaries and movies for accuracy, etc. My hope is to nurture your interest and understanding of both history and current events and how you can be involved in making our world a better place!

Classroom Guidelines

Your success in my class is very important to me and the following information is essential to that success. I anticipate having a wonderful year together and to ensure that happens, here a few guidelines that we will follow together. Should you fail to follow them, there will be consequences.

- Make a good decision
- Show respect
- Solve the problem
- Have fun!

Rewards

- Redd's Rock Star Stickers ☺
- Phone Call Home
- Special Treats & Privileges
- Satisfaction in a Job Well Done!

Consequences

- Seat Change
- Loss of Classroom Privileges
- Teacher Detention
- Phone Call Home
- Office Referral

Certain offenses, such as vandalism, fighting (including in play), sexual harassment, and inappropriate use of technology, will result in an immediate referral to the office.

Homework and Grading

Homework must be turned in on time. It is your responsibility to write down your homework in your planner at the beginning of each period. Grades can be checked on the Parent Portal at parents.ewcsd.org.

Grades Based on points earned on class work, quizzes, tests, homework, and in-class projects.

Late Work Late homework may be turned in the next class period. Late work is reduced to a D.

Absences Attendance has a direct effect on your ability to perform on assessments and keep up with homework. Therefore, make every effort to be at school each day. If you are absent, you have the same amount of days as you were absent to make up your work. You can copy the planner and download assignments from our class website or retrieve copies from the Missed Assignments folder when you return.

Academic Dishonesty All class work, homework, and tests must be your own work. Copying homework will result in loss of points for that assignment, for both parties involved. Cheating on assessments will result in an office referral.

Tardies Three tardies will result in a teacher detention.

Please read and sign back 

Commitment to Partnership

Education is most effective when it involves a meaningful partnership and commitment between students, parents, and teachers. In order to insure that this is the best possible year, please join with me in committing to the following:

As a student, I will:

- Always do my best work and come to school prepared with my homework and supplies.
- Be kind, helpful, and respectful to my classmates and teachers and obey the rules.
- Keep up to date on assignments and extend my learning by using our class website (<http://reddsocialstudies.weebly.com>) on a regular basis.

As a parent/guardian, I will:

- Show respect and support for my child, the teachers, and the school.
- Support the school's discipline policy.
- Provide a quiet, well-lit place for study and supervise the completion of homework.
- Stay informed and involved in my child's education by checking his/her planner and regularly checking my child's grades on the Parent Portal at parents.ewcsd.org.

As a teacher, I will:

- Show respect for each child and for his or her family.
- Provide a safe and comfortable environment that's conducive to learning.
- Enforce school and classroom rules fairly and consistently.
- Supply students and parents with clear evaluations of progress and achievement via the Parent Portal at parents.ewcsd.org and information via our class website <http://reddsocialstudies.weebly.com>.

Student and Parent Acknowledgement

I have read and understand the Class Guidelines, and agree to the Commitment to Partnership for Mrs. Redd's Global Issues class. I also understand that some of the topics covered in Global Issues are mature in nature, such as human trafficking, human rights, drug use, etc., but will be carefully monitored by Mrs. Redd.

Student Name _____ Period _____

Student Signature _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name(s) _____

Parent Signature _____

PHOTOS FOR BULLETIN BOARD: I take pictures of the students throughout the year. With your permission, the photos will be posted on the bulletin board to develop a sense of community. Do you give your permission for your child's pictures to be used in this way? Yes _____ No _____

PHOTOS FOR WEBSITE: With your permission, photos will be posted on our class website so that you can see what your child is experiencing in social studies class. Do you give your permission for your child's pictures to be used in this way? Yes _____ No _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Work Phone _____ Home Language _____

Email _____