

World Geography and History I

Academic Syllabus

Fall 2022

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Room: 223

Canvas: <https://madisonschoolsva.instructure.com/>

Course Organizer: [Course Organizer Link](#)

VDOE Curriculum Framework: [VDOE Curriculum](#)

Welcome to world history and geography! We will explore the historical development of people, places, and patterns of life from the Paleolithic Era to about 1500 A.D. We will study early man, ancient river valley civilizations, Greece, Rome, the Muslim world, the Byzantine Empire, the Middle Ages, Renaissance and some civilizations in Africa, Asia, and the Americas. You will do a variety of activities to make your journey through the past exciting. We will read primary and secondary sources, watch film clips, do projects, have discussions, do writing assignments, and play review games.

Classroom Values:

- 1. Students are to follow all school rules as written in the handbook.*
- 2. Students will treat classmates, teachers, and classrooms with respect.*
- 3. These are your expectations of how students will behave in your classroom*

Academic Expectations:

GRADING POLICY

Nine Weeks Grade

classwork and homework –40%

tests and projects—60%.

Final Grade--first nine weeks -45%

second nine weeks-- 45%

cumulative learning experience--10%

Students are encouraged to check PowerSchool to keep track of their grades.

MAKE-UP WORK

Students are expected to attend class regularly. **If you are in class the day before a test and are absent on test day, you should be ready to make up the test on the day you return.**

It is your responsibility to get the make-up work. It must be turned in by the date listed on the assignment.

A list of what we did each day in class will be in Canvas.

LATE WORK POLICY

Any person who does not turn in an assignment the day it is due will receive 10% off for **each** day it is late up to **5 days**. After 5 days, the work will not be accepted for credit.

CANVAS

Students will have access to Canvas to see a general overview of the week's objectives, activities, assignments, projects, or assessments. Some assignments will be submitted through Canvas. Students will be able to access it when absent to stay current with the course.

Suggested Supplies:

- Pencils and Pens
- Highlighters
- A 3 Ring Binder
- Loose Leaf paper
- Chromebook Computer (Charged everyday)

Canvas Info: Daily goals and the classroom agenda will be posted on Canvas daily

Textbook Info:

The textbook used in this course will be:

Beck, Roger B. *Ancient World History: Patterns of Interaction*. Orlando, FL: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Pub. Co,

Communication:

The best way to get in touch with me will be through email, I will respond within a 24 hr period.

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