**SYLLABUS**

**2024-2025 School Year**

**Course Title**: World Geography

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Materials provided by Academy of Richmond County:

Text: Geography: The Human and Physical World

Materials provided by the student:

Notebook paper, pens, pencils, computer

**Course Description**

The purpose of this course is to provide a strong academic background for motivated, responsible students who are reading and writing on or above grade level. The course centers on a study of world geography, the variety of conditions that make each region unique, and how human exist in these environments. We will be studying the physical make-up of the world and how humans fit into that framework. Vocabulary study is mandatory.

**Course Outline**

Unit 1: Physical Geography

Unit 2: Cultural Geography

Unit 3: Political Geography

Unit 4: Population Geography

Unit 5: Environmental Geography

Unit 6: Economic Geography

**Makeup Work**

Making arrangements for completing makeup work is the responsibility of the student. You have five (5) business days to hand me any past due. For each day that I do not receive your work, I take 5 points off the grade. After the five days, I will not accept the past due assignment and you will have to accept a failing grade. All makeup work will be completed and turned in before or after school OR during class but never during homeroom or while the student is supposed to be in another teacher’s class. THERE IS NO EXTRA CREDIT WORK.

**Discipline Policy**

THE COUNTY MANDATED CELL PHONE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY WILL BE FOLLOWED TO THE LETTER. POWER THEM DOWN AND PUT THEM AWAY. BETTER YET, LEAVE THEM AT HOME.

The discipline policy of the Richmond County School System will be adhered to. The first violation will be recorded, and the student will be advised on how to correct the situation. The second offense will be documented, and a parent or guardian will be contacted. The third violation will be referred to an administrator.

**Methods of Evaluation/Distribution of Grades**

Students will have numerous opportunities to demonstrate the skills necessary to successfully master the objectives of the course. Assignments include but are not limited to quizzes, major tests and projects, notebook checks, etc.

Grades in my class are weighed in the following manner:

MAJOR (Tests, Projects, Essays, Papers)                                     40%

MINOR (Classwork, Quizzes)                                                      60%

There is no EOCT for this course. There is, however, an end of semester exam. Students who have a final average of 90 or better at the end of the semester may exempt the exam.

TUTORING: If any of you are having difficulties with course material, I am available for tutoring after school upon agreed to time between myself and the student. I need advance notice if you plan to attend tutoring, as I have school responsibilities and will need to plan if you need tutoring.