

Welcome to World Geography
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Course Overview:

Welcome to World Geography. This year we will be discovering the world around us. We will begin with basic geography skills and knowledge. We will then move on to look at the geography of the United States. Moving on, we will begin looking at continents and countries around the world. On our journey we will see fascinating people, places and history. So join me and let's take a trip around the world!

Textbook:

World Geography Today

Materials:

- * 1- Binder with Loose Leaf
- * Pens (Blue or Black **ONLY**)
- * Pencils
- * 1- Glue Stick
- * Pocket Folder
- * 4 Tab Dividers
- * **1st Hour-** Crayons
- * **2nd Hour-** Markers or Crayons
- * **3rd Hour-** Loose Leaf Paper
- * **4th Hour-** Color Pencils or Crayons
- * **5^h Hour-** Small Scissors

Grading Policy:

I use the school-wide grading scale.

93 - 100	A
85 - 92	B
78 - 84	C
70 - 77	D
69 - Below	F

Class Procedures:

Cheating:

If you are caught cheating on an individual assignment and/or test you will receive a "0" and there will be no re-test. Cheating of any kind will not be tolerated in this class! Plagiarism **IS** cheating. If you are caught plagiarizing on a project or homework assignment you will receive a "0" and you will not have the opportunity to make the work up.

Make-up Work:

You are responsible for any work that you missed as result of absence. If a worksheet or notes were given to the class you should check the folder for your class (located in the student center) and find the worksheet/notes. If notes were given on the days you were missing it is **your responsibility** to get the notes from someone in your class. Please place all make-up work in the bin in the Student Center. I will grade this work ASAP. **NOTE TO ALL INVOLVED** in cheer, dance, student government, athletics, band and any club: Your schedule is especially demanding, but missed work or late work will no be excused. Be responsible and plan ahead!

Tardies:

Tardy means that you are not in the classroom by the time the tardy bell rings. **You are responsible** for any work that you missed during the time you were out.

Seating Chart:

There will be assigned seats in this classroom. However, the seating will change throughout the year. You are required to sit in your assigned seats unless other wise instructed.

Turning in and Collecting Papers:

When I ask for papers I will ask you to pass them up and over. This means pass them up to the front of your row and the first person in the row will pass them over to the instructed side. Once this is done I will pick up the papers and place them in the bins on the student center. If I am busy with something else I may ask for someone to pick up the papers for me. If for some reason you are unable to pass your paper in with the rest of the class make sure to place the paper in Homework Bin on the way out the door. **DO NOT GET UP IN THE MIDDLE OF CLASS TO TURN IN YOUR PAPER! PLEASE DO NOT ASK ME "WHERE DO I PUT THIS?" ALL PAPERS GO IN HOMEWORK BIN**, unless otherwise instructed.

Early Finishers:

Should you finish a class assignment early you should check over the assignment to make sure you have done everything required. If there is still time left you should find something to do. **THIS DOES NOT MEAN SLEEP!** You can read a book, work on homework for another class, read an appropriate magazine, work on a puzzle, draw, etc. **SLEEPING IS NOT AN ACCEPTABLE ACTIVITY AND WILL RESULT IN DISCIPLINE!**

Leaving Your Desk:

DO NOT GET UP WHILE I AM TEACHING OR GIVING INSTRUCTIONS. If you need a tissue, need to sharpen your pencil, need to throw away trash, etc. **PLEASE** wait until I am not talking.

Contacting Parents:

I will contact parent(s)/guardian(s) if necessary. If you are doing really well in this class and I think your parent(s)/guardian(s) should know I will call them. Also, I will contact parents if we have any problem that needs addressing!

**Discipline Plan for Mrs. Laiche
Classroom Rules**

1. Respect yourself, the teacher and your classmates.
2. Bring all materials to class.
3. Be courteous and polite.
4. Be on time for class.
5. Follow all direction the first time they are given.
6. Follow the Dress Code Policy
7. Follow all rules in the Student Handbook.

*****Keep these documents with you ALL year and in
May it will be worth Bonus Points*****

****** NOTE: 5 Bonus points will be given to any person who brings a box of tissue or roll of paper towel.
No more than 5 Bonus points will be given. ******

Syllabus Acceptance Sheet

Please sign this page and return back to Mrs. Laiche for a 10 point homework assignment.

Student: I have read the Course Syllabus and Discipline Plan for Ms. Rainey's Class and I understand that it is my job to adhere to this plan.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s): I have looked over and discussed the Course Syllabus and Discipline Plan with my child(ren). I understand and support these documents.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Teacher: I will be fair and consistent in administering the Discipline for this class.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____