

Dorman High School

SYLLABUS FOR CURRENT EVENTS FALL SEMESTER 2010

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Room A108
Planning Period 2

Grading Scale:

A 93-100
B 85-92
C 77-84
D 70-76
F 69 and below

Your grade will be based on the following percentages:

Quickfire News Reports = 40%
Quizzes =20%
Daily Work and Quiz Bowl= 20%
Journalism Projects (Two per nine weeks) = 20%

Expectations:

The goal of the class is to promote student knowledge of the responsibilities and activities that are required by citizens in our society. The class will explore our system of government and what it does for them as citizens of the United States of America. After completing this class you will have an understanding of the major concepts of what is required to succeed in American society.

Participation:

A big part of our class and your grade is based on your participation in the class discussions that we will have daily. For you to understand as much as possible about the subject your participation is required. I hope to learn as much from you as you do from me in our discussions.

Materials Needed:

Each student must be prepared to present a news story daily. Not being prepared will result in loss of points. Students must bring paper and pen/pencil to class everyday, borrowing of supplies will also result in loss of points. Please come to class equipped for action.

Organization of Instruction:

The primary mode of instruction will be lecture/class discussion. We will from time to time have group learning/teaching opportunities. I am always available for extra direction and assistance as long as student effort is shown.

