

Social Studies A – U.S. Government

Welcome to Social Studies A. You will need to bring several pencils with you to class each day. A notebook and a folder will be provided for you. The course syllabus is as follows:

Weeks 1, 2, & 3	Beginnings of American Government
Weeks 4 & 5	The Constitution
Weeks 6 & 7	The Legislative Branch
Weeks 8 & 9	The Executive Branch
Weeks 10 & 11	The Judicial Branch
Week 12	Political Parties
Weeks 13 & 14	Citizenship
Week 15	Local Government
Week 16	How the Law Affects You
Week 17	The U.S. and Governments of the World
Week 18	The 50 States

GRADING:

1. Classwork will be assigned and graded.
2. Vocabulary quizzes will be given at the end of each chapter. Students may use their notes for these quizzes. Tests will be given at the end of each chapter. Students may use their notes, classwork, and textbooks.
3. There will be a review before each chapter test.
4. The 9 weeks grade will consist of 25% tests, 25% vocabulary quizzes, 25% graded classwork, 25% participation.

COMMUNICATION:

1. A mastery of 70% of the competencies within the functional social studies curriculum is the goal for each student. A checklist will be kept for each student noting scores in each area.
2. Progress reports will be sent each 9 weeks.
3. The completed competency test checklist will be available for parental review.

RULES AND CLASSROOM BEHAVIOR:

All school rules will be enforced in this classroom. See the handbook for specifics.



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1. _____ teacher.
2. Parental contact by teacher.
3. ISS and Discipline Referral
4. Immediate Discipline Referral for serious disruptive behavior.

I look forward to working with your child. Please call me at Dorman if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Rhonda Young
582-4347 ext 2218

Please return to Ms. Young:

I have read the class procedures for Ms. Young's LIFE Skills U.S. Government class for the 2010-2011 school year.

_____ Parent/Guardian

_____ Student