



Student Name: _____ **Class:** _____

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Social Studies 9

2019 - 2020

Social Studies provides opportunities for students to develop the attitudes, skills, and knowledge that will enable them to become engaged, active, informed, and responsible citizens.

The text book used for this course is **Issues for Canadians.** Grade 9 students will analyze the relationship between Canada's political and legislative processes and their impact on issues pertaining to governance, rights, citizenship and identity. Students will explore issues of economics and their impact on quality of life, citizenship and identity in Canada and the United States. Program of studies learner outcomes will be reflected in a variety of assignments, projects and exams.

Topics:

- 9.1 - Issues for Canadians: Governance and Rights**
- 9.2 - Issues for Canadians: Economic Systems in Canada and the United States**
- Current Events Portfolios**

EVALUATION

- 50% EXAMS** – Chapter and unit exams
- 10% QUIZZES** – Short assessments to ensure students are keeping up with their reading and assigned work
- 40% PROJECTS, ASSIGNMENTS, STUDY GUIDES, PARTICIPATION IN CLASSROOM DISCUSSIONS and ACTIVITIES**

The PAT exam will make up 25% of the student's overall score, with the whole year in-class mark making up 75%

PROJECTS, IN CLASS WORK, ASSIGNMENTS, STUDY GUIDES

Students will be assigned projects, worksheets, assignments and study guides which will be completed in class and sometimes for homework. Late assignments will be completed at a time and location as determined by the classroom teacher. Exam and assignment due dates are posted in the classroom and online classroom well in advance. With major exams there will be a study guide which will help students prepare for the exam. These are included as a mark for the report cards and can only be handed in the day of the exam. **Please ensure you are using this guide to prepare for the exam.** Students will be expected to participate positively in classroom activities and discussions during class time.



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ABSENCES

Students are responsible for all assignments, even those missed due to illness, vacation, or appointments. I can help students before school, after school, or at lunchtime if they need special assistance. Exams missed will be written the first day a student returns to class unless other arrangements have been made. It is the student's responsibility to make arrangements with me to catch up on exams missed the first day they return.

ACCOMODATIONS/DIFFERENTIATION

Students with PLPs, IPPs or ELL designation may be assessed using accommodated or differentiated criteria on assignments and examinations to ensure that they are able to fully participate in the learning of the course material.

MISSING ASSIGNMENTS

Any assignment that is not handed in by the due date will be awarded a 0 in PowerSchool and will count towards the student's grade. If the student work is handed in prior to the end of the reporting period, the mark will be adjusted in PowerSchool. Students should be utilizing informal and structured support blocks on Flex Days if they are struggling to complete assignments.

STUDENT AGREEMENT

I have read and understood the course outline for Social Studies 9.

Student's Signature: _____

CONTACT WITH PARENTS

In the future I will be in touch either by email or phone call if it is necessary to discuss any issues with a student's participation in the course. If you have any questions regarding the course, please come to the Meet the Teacher evening on Tuesday, September 18th.

Please provide the following information:

Parent Name(s): _____

Parent Signature: _____

Email Address: _____

Please feel free to contact us if you have concerns or questions.

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