**Desoto Central High School**

STUDENT COURSE EXPECTATIONS

Fall 2019

**Course Title: Intro to World Geography**                         **Teacher:** Mr. Simpson

**Text: World Geography: Building a Global Perspective, Prentice Hall**

**Course Overview:**

The Introduction to World Geography framework requires that student learning focus on understanding the systems and processes that produce the features and patterns that lie on Earth‘s surface and appear on maps and globes. The primary purpose of the course is to build systematic understanding of how Earth‘s physical and human geography came to be and continues to evolve.

**Required Reading:**

All textbook assignments, supplemental readings and literary works as assigned.

**It is essential that you complete the required reading prior to lecture or discussion.**

**Course Evaluation Criteria:**

Examination 20%

Tests, Projects, & Quizzes 40%

Classwork & Homework 40%

\*\*I have **no tolerance** for late assignments. If you have an excused absence from school, your assignment will be due the day you return if you were present in class the day it was assigned. If you were not present the day of the assignment, you will be given an equal amount of time to complete assignments.

**Course Policies:**

**Other Policy Areas:** Attendance, tardiness, behavioral consequences, academic dishonesty, and makeup of missing work- As outlined in the Desoto Central High Student Handbook.

**Class Preparation/Participation** – Bring the textbook, pen/pencil notebook and agenda to class everyday and complete the assigned readings. Be ready to participate fully and meaningfully.

**Homework –** Homework will be given some nights. Homework is intended as an aid to understanding the concepts and skills presented in class and to reinforce the assigned readings. There is no such thing as busy work in this class! All work serves to enhance your skills and build upon concepts learned in class.

**Extra help** –Assistance must be pre-arranged with the teacher. *Extra help is always available if you schedule it in advance!*