

Dunbar
Creative and Performing Arts
Magnet School
Civics & Geography Syllabus
Mr. Laubenthal

Textbook:

Civics: McGraw-Hill, Building Citizenship: Civics and Economics
Geography: National Geographic: World Cultures and Geography

To access a virtual copy of the textbook log into your schoology account, enter my class, click on materials on the left, click on the folder labeled SS7 Textbooks, then click on the PDF to open the book. Once the book is open click the download button on the bar above the textbook and save it as a copy to your computer.

Required Materials:

Though the beginning of the school year will be online we will still integrate the arts into our curriculum. Therefore you will still need color pencils. When students do come back to school in person please refer to the 7th grade supply list.

Manner of evaluation:

All work will be graded on a scale ranging between 0-100. Each assignment's numerical grade will be translated into a letter grade using the table below. The final grade for any given quarter will be determined by combining 40% of a student's classwork and 60% of their test grades.

A	B	C	D	E
100-90	89-80	79-70	69-60	59-0

The Classroom:

- Each day students are required to log into their schoology account and participate in the lesson for each day school is in session.
- To be counted present in my class each day you must log into your scheduled Civics/Geography class in schoology and interact with the lesson. Failing to do so will result in you being counted absent.
- At Dunbar Magnet School 1s are placed in the grade book to signify a missing grade. As soon as the requirements for that particular grade have been met the 1 is replaced with the actual grade.
- Tests missed due to an excused absence can be made up when the student is ready. Once the test is graded the grade they earned will be entered into the gradebook.
- Students are permitted to retest only one failed test per quarter. It is imperative students are prepared on the day of the test.
- Students can check their grades at any point in time by logging into schoology, entering my class and clicking on grades from the menu to the left.

Appointments:

I am available from 12:33-1:25 every day for questions and concerns. Students, please address grade questions and personal problems during this time, *not* in class. Afternoon appointments can be made, but once made, be sure they are kept.

Note to the Parent/Guardian:

If you have any questions or concerns pertaining to your child, please do not hesitate contact me at 221-2160 or by email through the school's website.

Expectations:

All students have the ability and talent to succeed.
I will accept no less than a student's best effort and attitude!