**Desoto Central High School**

STUDENT COURSE EXPECTATIONS

Spring 2020

**Course Title: Into to U.S. Government**                       **Teacher:** Mr. Simpson

**Text: Magruder's American Government**

**Course Overview:** We will learn about the founding of the U.S. Government and an overview of how the U.S. Government operates.

**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!*