

Honors World Geography
Course Disclosure
Mrs. Lawes



Course Overview:

- Honors World Geography is a one-year, required, high school course designed to help students develop a greater understanding and appreciation for the diverse cultural, economic, political, and geographic systems of the world.
- The course follows the Utah State Core Standards and will include a review of basic geography principles. Other concepts include an in-depth study of geographic topics such as population, migration, human culture, world religions, economic development, political systems, world regions, countries, and physical features of the world.
- Either all or part of the following films may be shown in class: *Human Planet Series*, *World in the Balance: The Population Paradox (NOVA)*, *Cry Freedom*, and *God Grew Tired of Us*.

Grading Policy:

- Assignments are due at the beginning of class unless otherwise noted. If students need additional help, I am available before and after school.
- Assessments will be 80% and assignments will be 20% of students' final grades.
- Students may retake a final exam within one week of the original exam date either before or after school. All assignments must be completed and proficiency achieved.
- The 100-point scale will determine percentages on class work and final grades.
- Students are expected to behave ethically. Cheating, sharing answers, copying assignments, or any other form of plagiarism is unacceptable. Students who participate in these activities will receive a "U" in citizenship.

Late Work Policy:

- Assignment due dates are listed on the calendar in the classroom and will be ***posted in advance*** on Skyward.
- Late work must be fully completed at a proficient level to be accepted and have a late form attached to it.
- Late work for each unit must be turned in before the final exam.

Student Expectations:

- Students are expected to follow all COVID-19 requirements as outlined by the Utah State Health Department, the governor, and Jordan School District.
- Students need to make sure their Chromebooks are at 100% power before leaving home each day.
- Students are expected to be sitting in their correct desks when the bell rings.
- Cell phones and earbuds need to be off and put away before entering the classroom unless they are necessary for an academic activity.

Student Supply List:

- Students may choose what type of notebook or folder they prefer to use; however, it must be separate from other classes and used only for geography.
- One pocket folder.
- **College-ruled**, loose leaf notebook paper. **No spiral notebooks are allowed.**
- Pencils and blue or black ballpoint pens.
- One set of colored pencils (no more than 8 colors).
- Highlighters - at least 2 different colors.
- Please do your best to have these supplies as soon as possible. It would be wonderful if you could have them in class on Friday, August 28, however it is not required. Parents are busy! See me if you need help getting any of these supplies. I'm here to help!

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We have read and understand the information outlined in Mrs. Lawes' Course Disclosure.

Student Name (please print): _____ **Period:** _____

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

To be completed by either the student or parent:

Please tell me something interesting about you (the student) that I would not necessarily learn about you during class! This is really important this year. Thank you!