

World Geography
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Overview: World Geography is a one-year course required for all freshmen. The first four units are foundational and will provide the vocabulary and skills you will need to be successful in the course. From there we will circle the globe- giving an overview of the area and investigating the current situations occurring in each region. This is a co-taught class which means you will have the benefit of two teachers!

1st Semester Units

Foundational Units	Regions of Study
<p>Unit One- Maps Focus Question: How do we use maps to understand our world?</p> <p>Unit Two- Physical Systems Focus Question: What are the physical forces that influence the world?</p> <p>Unit Three- Culture Focus Question: How does culture define people?</p> <p>Unit Four- Political/Economic Systems Focus Question: How do political and economic forces control us?</p>	<p>Unit Five- East Asia <i>Focus Question: What controls people?</i></p> <p>Unit Six- Latin America <i>Focus Question: How do people's choices affect others?</i></p> <p>Unit Seven- Europe <i>Focus Question: What compels countries to cooperate?</i></p>

2nd Semester we will continue a regional focus

Expectations: _____

Materials:

- Chromebook
- Course Text: Geography Alive! - Online Subscription → Everyone will get a log in!
- Pencil/Pen
- Paper

Participation: The more you participate, the better this class will be. Learning stems from discussion and I hope we can have many, in depth, RESPECTFUL conversations!

We will respect each one of you and we expect the same in return. Each person in the class deserves that and it is something we expect at all times!

Attendance: Be here! The more class you miss the harder it will be to keep up.

Google Classroom: Daily agendas and assignments will be uploaded to Google classroom every day! Please make sure you are checking it frequently and keeping up with all class calendars.

Make-up work/late work: If/when you are absent from class you are expected to complete the work the following day. These incidences should be few and far between. Your grade WILL reflect poorly if you miss multiple classes and turn in your work late. The important thing is that you do NOT fall behind. If you miss class please check the absent folder next to Mrs. Stadler's desk upon your return.

Behavior: We expect all of us to behave in a mature and responsible way. We plan on treating all of you like the young adults you are- so please respect one another and behave accordingly.

Grade Scale:

100-90 = A 89-80 = B 79-70 = C 69-60 = D 59 or lower = F

Please contact us if you ever have a question concerning your grade. Grade weights can be found below as well as in the description of our course in powerschool.

70% of your grade will be based on assessments (Tests, quizzes, projects etc.)

30% of your grade will be based on classwork/participation/homework.

Welcome to West Chicago High School! We are looking forward to learning with you!