**Valley High School**

**Disclosure Statement- 2016-2017**

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**Course Description:**The classes I teach include US History(1850- Present time),and Government.  Within each class, students will be working to complete the coursework for classes required for graduation.   Classes are designed to meet the individual needs of each student.

**Behavior Expectations/Employability Skills:** The classroom is a place to develop and practice employability skills.  The following characteristics will be encouraged in this classroom and will be used to determine participation and/or citizenship grades.

* **Work needs to be worked on when assigned.**
* **Use time wisely.**
* **Ask for help when needed.**
* **Respect the personal space of others.**
* **Let everyone have an opinion-even if you don’t agree with it.**
* **Demonstrate good citizenship**
  + **Promote a positive environment**
  + **Be on time**
  + **Attend regularly**
* **Follow directions.**
* **Treat all people and property with respect.**
* **If a problem happens, be willing to “problem-solve” appropriately.**

Meeting these expectations will result in learning, personal growth, and positive teacher-student relationships.  Any students that act in an irresponsible or noncompliant manner or are continually off task will be asked to leave class and will be assessed an absence.

**Electronic Devices:**   **If you are using electronic devices to disrupt the learning environment during class time or using electronic devices during instruction time, you will be given one warning and then if you continue to use the device, you will be asked to leave the class and assessed an absence.**  I do not want to feel less important than your electronic device.  This is not only an expectation in the classroom, but it is also an important thing to understand in social situations and work environments.  **You will get a better grade if you put your electronic device away during class and focus on what is being taught.**

**Attendance: I allow 4 absences per quarter.  You cannot make-up absences for my class.  You can make-up work. If you go over 4 absences, your grade will be a “NC”.**If you are more than 5 minutes late, you will be marked absent.  Three tardies count as an absence.  If you leave the classroom and are gone for more than 5 minutes, it will count as an absence.  If you leave class before class ends, it is an absence-- even if you were in class for all but the last 2 minutes, if you leave without permission, it is an absence.  If you are going to be absent, please email me.

**Grading – The following grading scale will be used:**

93 – 100     A 80 – 82    B- 67 – 69    D+

90 – 92       A- 77 – 79    C+ 63 – 66    D

87 – 89 B+ 73 – 76    C 60 – 62    D-

83 – 86 B 70 – 72    C-  0 – 59    F

The following rubric will be applied to assignments or projects to determine grades.                    \*This rubric can also be found on my web page.

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|  | **Good Quality 80%-100%** | **Satisfactory 70%-79%** | **Not there yet 60%-69%** | **Completely not acceptable** |
| Work attitude | Student is cooperative and tactful. Work is completed on time. Student is on-task during class time. | Little evidence of engagement in the task. Lack of thought given to teacher expectations. Lack of initiative. Wasted class time and didn't put effort in outside of classroom. | Student uses electronic devises for entertainment during class time. Student avoids work but turns something in. No thought given to teacher expectations. | Attitude is disrespectful or demonstrates the expectation of getting something for nothing. Vulgar/Profane language used during independent work time. |
| Quality of work | Finished product shows that the student took pride in the assignment. Work is neat and accurate. Student demonstrates a consistent effort to work to his/her potential. | Student completes the assignment, but doesn't put much effort into it. Little pride is demonstrated in his/her work-- messy, unorganized. Project looks "thrown" together. | Student rushed through the assignment, just trying to get it done. Work is not creative- shows very little thought. | There is evidence of plagiarism or cheating. |
| Follows directions | The student displays a consistent ability to read or listen to and follow directions. | Student partially follows the directions of an assignment. | Student does not pay attention to directions but does the project in his/her own way. | Student purposely works to disregard directions and/or integrity of assignment |
| Demonstrates understanding | Student understanding of concepts is evident. Statements supported by text or class lecture. Student uses effective strategies to get accurate results. Thoughts clearly relate to each other. | Student has limited understanding of concepts. Student attempts to arrive at conclusion. Is able to demonstrate understanding. | Student has limited understanding of concepts. Demonstrates partial understanding, but lacks key concepts. | Student has a complete lack of understanding of concepts. |

Parents and Students-

**Movie Permission:**

Parental/guardian permission is required in order for your student to view the following movies or segments of movies in class. All of these rated PG or PG13. Your signature gives your consent and permission for your student to view these movies If there is a movie you do not want them to see please list the titles below the signature line.

Most of the videos we will be watching come from PBS, Discovery Channel, History Channel, Discovery Channels Planet Earth and Human Planet. Most of these are rated PG or TV PG. If you have questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Please sign this form and ask your student to return it to the Enoch. Your signature acknowledges you understand and agree to adhere to the rules and their accompanying consequences.  Retain the Disclosure Document for your own records. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.  The best way to reach me is through email.  Most of the time I am able to rapidly respond.  If you call and leave me a message, I will return your call within 48 hours.

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Student Signature Student Name (Printed)

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Parent Signature Parent Name (Printed)

**\***If there are any Movie Channels on this list you would **NOT**  like your student to watch please list below.