## Classroom Rules and Regulations

### Local History

**Mr. Debes-Room 150**

1. ATTENDANCE

* Please be on time**. Once the bell rings, you should be in your seat** (NOT STANDING UP, NOT IN THE HALL, NOT “ABOUT TO GET THERE,”etc) and be working on the opening activity. If this is the case, then you can be considered “late.”
* If you are not in your seat in the classroom when the bell rings, you are missing class time. The first time you are late; you will be given a verbal warning. If you are late a second time, you will be given a second verbal warning, and I will contact your parents/guardians. If you are late a third time, I will have to write a cut slip on you and refer it to the office. Furthermore, class tardies will also impact your daily classwork grade.
* Absences: It is important to be in class. If you are absent, however, please get make-up work as soon as possible. The previous week’s assignments will always be immediately available (right inside the classroom door). You will need to get make-up work before class, after class, or before/after school. Please do not collect your make-up work during class; you should be working on that day’s assignments. Make up work will need to be completed on your own time; do not complete make-up work during class (there should be other assignments you should be working on). If you were absent for an extended period, of if you missed a lot of work, you will need to pick up the missed work **after class, or after school**. \*If you are absent on the day of a test or a quiz, you will need to make it up before/after school; I will not allow you to take the test during another class (unless it is a study hall)\*

1. ATTITUDE AND BEHAVIOR: RESPECT THE TEACHER AND YOUR CLASSMATES!

* Disruptive and rude behavior will not be tolerated and can result in detention.
* Please show respect for teachers and fellow students. This means, among other things, refraining from speaking when the teacher or other students are speaking. I want you to feel free to express yourself (within reason), but if you would like to contribute to the class’ discussion, raise your hand, and the teacher will allow you time to speak. Disrespect for other students, teachers, SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS, or other staff can result in detention.
* Please do not get out of your seat without permission. If you need to get up to sharpen a pencil, throw away trash, etc please ask first. Do not just get up and walk around the classroom.
* Please don’t throw **ANYTHING** in the room (pens, pencils, trash, etc).
* A large part of this class involves collaboration with other students, participation in group activities, and discussion with the teacher and students. Failure to participate in these activities can result in loss of daily grade points and in detention.
* No sleeping is allowed. Please don’t put your head down and hide your eyes or I will have to assume you are sleeping. Sleeping can result in the loss of daily grade points AND detention.
* Working on other assignments is not allowed, unless given permission by the teacher.
* Doing hair, applying make-up/lotion, applying perfume/body spray, etc is not allowed.
* If you do not serve an assigned detention, you will be referred to the main office.

1. GRADING

* 10% Daily Drill: Each day, you will be required to complete a daily drill. These daily drill sheets must be turned in at the end of each week. If you miss a drill, it is your responsibility to complete it before you turn it in. If you do not have the drill ready when it is collected, points will be deducted. Each week of drills is worth 50 points.
* 10% Daily Classwork Grade: You will be given a daily grade based on your attendance, promptness, readiness, behavior, effort, and participation in class. Each week, your daily grade will add up to 50 points.
* 30% Binder: I will check your binder periodically for organization, completion, and accuracy.
* 10% Homework: Homework should be completed by the due date, and involves any assignments to be completed outside of the classroom.
* 40% Tests/Quizzes/Projects: This category tests, any quizzes, and the 2 major projects.
* If you don’t complete an assignment by its due date, you will be allowed to make it up, but points will be deducted: 10% for 1 day late, 20% for 2 days late, 30% for 3 days late. **No late work will be accepted after 3 days** (unless prior arrangements have been made with the teacher).

1. BINDER

* You need a **separate three-ring binder for this class**. This binder should be used to keep your Local History materials organized. It should be brought to class, EVERY DAY.
* Extra help is available before or after school. You should set up an appointment with the Teacher beforehand, however.

1. SUPPLIES: PLEASE BRING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO CLASS, EVERY DAY! You are responsible for bringing these to class. You may lose points, receive detention, or be sent to an administrator if you fail to bring them with you.

* BINDER
* Blue/Black pen OR a Number 2 pencil
* Loose-leaf paper (8” x 11” paper)
* ***Student planner—IMPORTANT!!!!*** You **will not** be allowed to leave the room without a planner. This is your pass. If you don’t have one, I will not be allowed to let you leave the room to use the restroom, go see the nurse, etc!

If you have any questions or concerns, please see me before or after class. Parents/guardians can contact me at (412) 664-3650, or [jdebes@mckasd.org](mailto:jdebes@mckasd.org). I look forward to a great class!

Please sign below indicating that you have read, understand, and agree to the Rules & Regulations.

Student Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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