

English 9

Ethnic Studies 2025-2026

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Room 215

Course Overview

This course is designed to introduce students to a broad range of nonfiction and fiction works written by writers of color in the United States. This course aims to educate students to be politically, socially, and economically conscious about their personal connections to local and global narratives and histories through the interdisciplinary lens of Ethnic Studies.

All assignments will push students to think critically, communicate ideas with sincerity, analyze and use text to support those ideas and prepare students to be independent readers, writers, and thinkers in today's world.

Course Materials

These will be the materials we will use daily. All other supplies needed will be notified in advance.

- Chromebook and charger
- Agenda Planner
- Writing tools: pens, pencils, highlighters, lined paper
- Class Folder or binder

How we do things...

Students will earn points for the completion of assignments, tests, quizzes, projects, and class participation.

- ☐ Writing/Projects: 35%
- ☐ Assessment (tests/quizzes): 25%
- ☐ Classwork/Homework: 30%
- ☐ Class Participation: 10%

Grading Scale:

- A. 90-100%

- B. 80-89%
- C. 70-79%
- D. 60-69%
- F. 59% and below

Classroom Policies:

To ensure that every student has a positive learning environment, these are classroom guidelines to follow:

1. Be respectful to yourself and others
2. Be responsible
3. Be prepared
4. Advocate for yourself

✓ No cell phone use in class. Cell phones should be put away in classroom pocket chart.

Tutorial

Come talk to me if you need extra help or email me to schedule an appointment.

If absent, please make up and turn in assignments.

Academic Dishonesty/Plagiarism

Academic dishonesty or plagiarism occurs when you take someone else's work or ideas and submit them as your own. Plagiarism or any other form of cheating is unacceptable. This includes the work of students who allow others to copy their work.

If plagiarism or any other form of cheating occurs, you will receive an "F" on the assignment. If it takes place a second time, you will be referred to administration.

***The use of AI tools such as ChatGPT is not permitted for assignments unless specifically instructed by the teacher. Any use must follow classroom directions to support learning, not replace it.**

Parent Signature_____ Date: _____

Student Signature_____ Date: _____