



GREATER
JOHNSTOWN
SCHOOL DISTRICT

GJSD Course Syllabus

Current Events

Mr. Christian Wrabley

- cwrabley@gjsd.net
- Room 310
- 814-533-5570 x41310
- https://sites.google.com/a/gjsd.net/mr_wrabley/
- Remind
 - To sign up for Current Events reminders, text: *@wrabevents* to **81010**

Johnstown Middle School

Course Description -

- In our Current Events class, we will constantly examine the events taking place in the world around us. We will analyze local, national, and global news stories and investigate who is involved, what is happening, where it is happening, when it started, and why it is happening. We will make connections and find meaning in these events. I hope that students will develop an appreciation for global education and an understanding of our vast and dynamic world, and how they can make an impact within it.

Types of Assignments -

- I design and execute daily lessons that grab students' attention and facilitate meaningful discussion and higher order thinking. I use a variety of instructional techniques in my lessons, including cooperative learning, discovery learning, independent research, and hands-on learning activities.

Category	Percentage	Type of Assignments
Projects	40%	- Global economies, cultures, environments - Cycle of Poverty - Hungry Planet
Daily Assignments	40%	- Junior Scholastic - New York Times Upfront - Channel 1 News - Assigned News Articles
Participation	20%	- Group work - Chrome Book work - Notes / Outlines

Resources -

- **Teacher Website Link:** https://sites.google.com/a/gisd.net/mr_wrabley/
- **Useful websites used in class -**
 - www.channelone.com
 - www.Prezi.com/user/wrableyc (Class notes)
- **Textbook Used - None**

Guidelines for Course Grade Weighting

Term	Percentage
Quarter 1	20%
Quarter 2	20%
Quarter 3	20%
Quarter 4	20%
Final	20%

Class Attendance / Late to Class

GJSD supports the concept that consistent and timely attendance is vital to success in any class. Please review the procedures enforced at GJSD within the Discipline Policy regarding absences and lates to class.