

# Sociology ~ Class Breakdown

*This semester elective is designed so you will be able to analyze the social structure of American society. You will study the tools of sociology, as well as the four major socialization processes: family, peers, education, and media. You'll also examine the current changes and concerns in American society. Topics such as crime, deviance, racial and ethnic issues, religion, and social fads will also be examined.*

## **Class Policies:**

**Be Prepared** - Every day, you will need:

- \* Your Notebook: a 3 ring binder for handouts & printed notes outlines
- \* Pen
- \* Agenda Planner
- Come prepared - you will not be permitted to go to your locker / previous class if you forgot something.
- If you are absent, it is your responsibility to keep up with assignments on Google Classroom, especially if you are absent. Remember, you are only allowed 6 unexcused absences per semester class.

**Classwork** - Class will begin with the bell. I expect that you will be in your seat and ready to start when the bell sounds.

Classwork not completed in class because you were working on material for another class will not be accepted late. As per school policy, any classwork (including tests) missed because of a cut will be a grade of zero.

**Absenteeism** – All students are expected to make up tests and quizzes within two days after a one-day absence. If you can not stay after, expect to make up the quiz or test during lunch or a free period. It is your responsibility to see me about a makeup time, and if the assessment is not made up promptly, you will receive a grade of “zero.” If you schedule a make-up time for a test/quiz but do not show, your grade for the test/quiz will be a zero. It is also expected that you come prepared with all homework assignments after an absence, if you were in school when it was assigned. Keep track of your absences. More than 7 unexcused absences may result in loss of course credit.

## **Teacher Availability:**

Students are encouraged to come before or after school if they need extra help!

Room: 410 ~ Email: [cstampoulos@brrsd.k12.nj.us](mailto:cstampoulos@brrsd.k12.nj.us) - Please Note: I do not check my email after hours.

## **Grading Categories Breakdown:**

*Your marking period grade will be based on a point system. Points earned divided by the points possible will give you your percentage grade. All work is expected to be your own. Work in Google Classroom should be completed on the provided document. You will not receive credit for large segments of pasted work. Copies of assignments or PDFs of digital work are not acceptable.*

**Each day an assignment is late, you will receive one grade deduction per day late.**

## **Reflections**

You will be required to complete between four and five reflections a marking period. These reflections are designed as a way for you to demonstrate your knowledge on a certain topic. The majority of your grade will be determined by your performance in these reflections and your tests. Missing only one of these reflections will have a dramatic effect on your grade. All your papers must be submitted by 7:20 am on the date due. If you are in school but not in class, because of a guidance meeting, etc., your paper is still due on time.

## **Homework**

You will not receive homework assignments regularly, so it is important to complete those that are assigned. Homework assignments are often designed to guide class discussions the next day. *(If you are absent, it is your responsibility to check Google Classroom)*

## **Tests and Quizzes**

Tests cover material from both the textbook and class discussions/lectures. Most tests are unit in form and will include information from three chapters. *Any cell phone use during a testing period will result in an automatic detention and a grade of zero on the exam.*

## **Presentations and Projects**

There will be several projects throughout the semester.

## **Daily participation and in-class attitude**

All students will contribute to the class daily. If you are not speaking to the class, you are listening to the speaker. You should come to class every day prepared with an organized notebook. Also included in this grade is your participation/focus during presentations. Finally, if you cause a disturbance to me or the class through constant talking to your neighbor, or if you are regularly on your phone, or if you leave your earbuds in during class, this portion of your grade will be impacted. Because of the nature of the class, we will be having many discussions. I expect you to show the same respect to your peers that you would show to your teachers.

## **Sociology Syllabus**

*Keep updated with assignments by checking Google Classroom.*

Introduction & Chapter 1 (Sociology in the Real World)

Chapter 2 (Sociology's Family Tree)

Chapter 3 (Sociological Research)

### Unit 1 TEST

Chapter 4 (Culture)

Chapter 5 (Self and Interaction)

Chapter 6 (Groups)

### Unit 2 TEST

Chapter 7 (Deviance)

Chapter 8 (Social Class)

Chapter 9 (Race & Ethnicity)

### Unit 3 TEST

----- **End of Marking Period** -----

Chapter 10 (Gender & Sexuality)

Chapter 11 (Politics, Education, & Religion)

Chapter 12 (The Economy & Work)

### Unit 4 TEST

Chapter 13 (Family)

Chapter 14 (Recreation & Leisure)

Chapter 15 (City & Country)

Chapter 16 (Looking Toward Tomorrow)

### Unit 5 TEST

## **Summative Assessment**