Sociology - Riverdale High School 2016-2017

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ABOUT THE COURSE

This is a "Safe Classroom" and therefore certain types of behavior are encouraged and others discouraged. I hope all students will feel welcomed and included and be free from harassment based upon ethnicity, religion, gender or sexual orientation or any other difference. I encourage you to take risks, share ideas and stories appropriate to the class. Respect is a very big issue for me. You and I are responsible for every behavior we do. This is a college-prep course and you will be treated as responsible adults, not children.

To paraphrase Emile Durkheim (a famous sociologist) – Society was/is more powerful than any of us and is beyond our personal control. It's separate from us, yet we are a part of it and it's a part of our consciousness. It outlives all of us and we depend on it.

COURSE TEXTBOOK

Holt McDougal

Sociology: The Study of Human Relationships

TOPICS OF STUDY

- The Sociological Point of View
- Cultural Diversity
- Cultural Conformity and Adaptation
- Social Structure
- The Individual in Society
- The Adolescent and Adult in Society
- Deviance and Social Control
- Social Stratification
- Racial and Ethnic Relations
- Gender, Age and Health
- The Family
- Science and the Mass Media
- Population and Urbanization
- Collective Behavior and Social Movements
- Social Change and Modernization

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METHODS OF ASSESSMENT

Tests and quizzes = 40% Classwork = 40% Homework = 20%

TOTAL: 100%

GRADING SCALE

A	Outstanding Progress	90-100%
В	Above Average Progress	80-89%
C	Average Progress	70-79%
D	Lowest Acceptable Progress	60-69%
F	Failure	0-59%

CLASSROOM PROCEDURES & EXPECTATIONS FOR CONDUCT

All students need to be in class on time.

The teacher dismisses the class.

Every student should be ready to work when the tardy bell rings.

Misconduct by students will have a warning, followed by outside disciplinary action if necessary.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

Writing instrument, paper and notebook (every day); textbook as needed.