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US Government

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Department: Social Studies
Planning Block:3

Course Description: We as Americans must never forget that our government is of the people, by the people, and for the people. Because this applies to you now, or in the near future, you have a DUTY to participate in government. This class will help you understand what that duty is, and how to make informed decisions executing that duty. In addition, this class is designed to make you more familiar with how our society interacts with our government, how our government operates, and how it is designed to serve our needs. We will also examine the cultural, political, and economic developments that have helped shape our current form of government.

Materials Needed:

- Three ringed binder (1 ½ inches Min.)
- College Ruled Paper
- Pens (Black or Blue NO RED)
- Pencils & Erasers
- Highlighters

Grading Policy: Each assignment will be given points instead of a letter grade. Classwork and homework make up a large portion of the grades. Students should expect to study at 15-20 mins per night and to spend thirty mins to an hour on homework assignments each week. These activities are essential to every student’s success in this class. If you DO NOT do your assignments, you WILL NOT pass the class. To assist with organizational skills students will be required to keep a notebook for notes and assignments as needed. These notebooks will be checked periodically.

Any student with a grade below 70 is invited to spend their FLEX time working to improve their grade.

Available Points

Classwork (Notebook Checks etc.)	270
Homework	270
Short Paper	100
Research Project	100
Quizzes	200
Final Exam	100
Total	1040

Grading Scale
100-90= A
89-80= B
79-70= C
69-60= D
59- 0=F

Makeup/Missed/Late Work Policy: Missed tests will be made up during the flex period, not during class. There is no excuse for not making up a test

- Homework/classwork missed due to absence is expected within 3 days of the student’s return.
- Homework handed in one day late is worth half credit. Work that is more than one day late will not be accepted.

King George High School HONOR CODE:

Anyone cheating will receive a zero for that assignment/test, a referral to the office, and parents will be notified. Copying another student’s work is considered cheating!



All students are expected to adhere to the KGHS Honor Code:

"As a member of the student body of King George High School, I pledge that I will strive to be morally honest with myself and with others in thought, word, and deed. I will not participate in, encourage, or condone cheating in any form."

Important Dates:

<u>Interims</u>	<u>End of Grading Period</u>	<u>Report Cards</u>
August 29	September 20	September 24
October 15	November 1	November 6
November 26	December 20	January 7
January 28	February 19	February 21
March 13	April 3	April 7
April 30	May 22	Online/Mailed Home

Classroom Rules:

1. All rules in the student handbook will be strictly enforced.
2. Show respect to yourself and others.
3. Homework handed in one day late is worth half credit. Work that is more than one day late will not be accepted.
4. THE STUDENT is responsible for getting make-up work. It is also the student's responsibility to copy any missed notes.
5. The classroom must be kept clean!
6. YOU are responsible for YOUR book, notebook and pen/pencil. Bring these items to class EVERYDAY unless otherwise instructed. Do not leave your books in the room, a friend's locker or anywhere else it might get lost.
7. **Use common sense** (no sleeping, swearing, fighting, etc.)
8. The teacher(s) will determine when it is appropriate to use your phone/tablet. (almost never) Refusal to put phone/device away will result in referral.
9. Class ends when, not before, you are excused by the teacher.

Website: For additional course information, visit hookshistorykg.weebly.com. Updates will be made periodically.

STUDENT COMMITMENTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

I WILL:

- ...get any work I missed from the appropriate folder.*
- ...return completed missed work.*
- ...ask for help when I need it or even when I am not sure if I need it.*
- ...not do anything to inhibit mine or my classmates' learning.*
- ...use my time (including Flex time) to produce the best possible academic outcome.*



AFTER READING THE ATTACHED RULES AND PROCEDURES, PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS PAGE BY Friday, Aug 13, 2021.

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I have read the attached course information sheet and the classroom procedures. I understand what I have read. I also understand that if I violate these rules that I may be disciplined for the incident within the guidelines as stated in the KGHS handbook.

Student Printed Name

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Printed Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian - Preferred contact information (Email or Phone Number)

* Optional* Parent/Guardian – Secondary contact information (Email or Phone Number)