



Grading Practices

School: Tallwood High School

Subject(s): Global Cultures Seminar

Grade Level: 9-12

Homework

- Homework will be 10% of the nine weeks grade and will be included in the formative category of the grading system. It will be preparatory or practice in nature. In GSWLA and AP Social Studies and English classes, some homework assignments will not be accepted late due to the immediacy of the assignment.
- Timely completion of all assignments is required.

Late Work

- Academic detentions will be used as necessary to insure assignment completion.
- Failure to turn in work on time will result in a deduction of no more than 10% per class period.
- Assignments will be accepted no more than five class periods late.
- All late and make up work must be completed one week prior to the end of the nine weeks.

Explanation of Zeroes

- Grades accessible through the Student and Parent Portal will be updated every week.
- A “0” in the gradebook indicates that the assignment has been graded, but was either not turned in or earned zero credit. A “X” in the gradebook, the student is exempt from that assignment. A “Z” in the gradebook means the assignment was not turned in and currently not calculated in the total average; however, if the assignment is not turned in, a zero will be given.
- Empty spaces in the gradebook indicate that the assignment has not been graded, but soon will be.
- Any student with a “D” or “E” average at progress reports or report cards will have their parent/guardian contacted by the teacher via phone or email.
- For assignments not turned in, the late work policy will apply.

Reassessment

- Any student who receives a failing grade on a summative assessment (major projects or papers) may be given an opportunity for additional instruction and reassessment provided that the student has
 - participated in class
 - completed assignments
 - demonstrated evidence of best effort on the assessment and the learning leading up to the assessment.
 - The highest score earned will be recorded.
- Tutoring and remediation is held once a week, after school, in the teacher’s classroom.

Make-up Work

- Students are expected to make arrangements for make-up work immediately upon their return to school. The teacher will provide assignments and deadlines after discussion with the student.
- Assignments and assessments not completed by the determined deadline will be subject to the late work policy.
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- make up work must be completed one week prior to the end of the nine weeks.

Extra Credit

- Extra credit shall be used sparingly and purposefully as an opportunity for further learning. Teachers will clearly articulate to students how an extra credit assignment is aligned to curricular objectives.
- Extra credit shall be related to the current topic of study, fairly available and accessible, and require the use of only those resources known to be available to all students.
- Extra credit will not be used for non-learning activities.

For additional information, please access the [VBCPS Grading Guidelines for Secondary Schools](http://vbschools.com) on vbschools.com.