**Henderson High School**

**Class: Civics/Economics**

**Teacher: Mr.Pfannes**

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**Course Description:**  Civics/Economics is a required social studies course students must take to meet graduation requirements. The course is a survey course that begins with American Citizenship to Personal Finance. Students will be examining the social, economic, political and cultural issues as well as the people, places and events that have shaped our country. The course is designed for students to develop skills for high-level thinking. This course will incorporate many new technology features in the class so students can optimize their learning at school and at home. (Ex. Weebly, iBook, Gaggle, Discovery Ed.)

**Materials:** MacBook Pens (black or blue ink), Pencils

**Class expectations**:

1. **Be on time**
2. **Be respectful – of the teacher and of others**
3. **Students are expected to participate in class. (No Sleeping)**
4. **Students are responsible for their work. (Keeping track of it and turning it in)**
5. **The teacher, not the clock, dismisses students.**
6. **Students will observe and follow the Opportunity School rules as well as Cabarrus County Schools’ rules.**

**Grading Policy:**

* **Homework/quizzes 30%**
* **Tests 25%**
* **Class Participation 10%**
* **Projects 15%**
* **Final 25%**

**Extra Help:** I will always make time for my students. If you need some extra help with your assignments, I will gladly arrange time for you.

**Make-up/late work:** Make up work is to be turned in by five days after returning from an absence. It is the **student’s responsibility** to find out what assignments they missed. If you fail a test you will be required to do test corrections. If you do not, the original grade stands. **Incomplete work or late work** is not accepted. If you do not understand something ask me that is why I am here.

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| **Units** | **Theme** | **Approximate Days** |
| **Unit 1** | **American Citizenship** | **5** |
| **Unit 2** | **Foundations of American Government** | **8** |
| **Unit 3** | **Foundation Documents & Individual Rights** | **7** |
| **Unit 4** | **Legislative Branch** | **5** |
| **Unit 5** | **Executive Branch** | **4** |
| **Unit 6** | **Judicial Branch** | **5** |
| **Unit 7** | **American Political system: Parties and Elections** | **5** |
| **Unit 8** | **State and Local Government** | **5** |
| **Unit 9** | **Legal Systems** | **5** |
| **Unit 10** | **The American Economic System** | **10** |
| **Unit 11** | **Personal Financial Literacy** | **12** |

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**I have read and understand the syllabus for Mr.Pfannes’ Civics/Economic Class. I agree to follow the classroom rules and procedures and will attempt to do my best in class.**

**Student signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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