

Economics (Listen to the Money Talk)

Westlake High School

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Course Description:

Economics is the study of how individuals satisfy their unlimited wants with limited resources. This is a required course to graduate from an accredited high school in the state of Texas.

Course Objectives:

During the semester we will study the following areas in economics.

- Fundamentals
- International Economics
- Microeconomics
- Macroeconomics
- Personal Finance

The main objective of this course will be to give the students the tools and the knowledge they need to go make sound, fruitful economics decisions for themselves and their future families.

Text(s): O'Sullivan, Arthur. Economics: Principles in Action. Prentice Hall, 2006.

The replacement cost of this book, should you lose yours, is \$62.97

Lee, Dwight, Common Sense Economics. St. Martin's Press

Requirements:

Each student will be required to have

1. iPad charged and ready to go everyday
2. Paper and pencil as required
3. Ability to use eBackpack
4. Ability to graph and calculate elementary functions

There will be a test per chapter regular tests,

1 vocabulary test one per week,

various in class activities

3 major project.

Students will also have to complete

8 article reviews on various topics revolving around Economics during the semester

Finally, students will be required read their book as assigned

Evaluation: Final Grades:

Tests – 60%

Quizzes – 30%

Classwork /Homework– 10%

Article Reviews – 15%

Major Project – 60%

Final Exam as per Student Guidelines

Policies and Procedures:

The following operating procedures reflect a thoughtful approach to creating a conducive atmosphere for learning in my classroom. It is expected that students will attend all classes.

Attending class is the only way to gain the full impact of the class and its activities.

1) When a student misses class, it is the student's responsibility to ask a fellow student what assignment(s) was/were missed. If the student needs clarification, then the student should check with the teacher. Weekly assignments will be posted in room and online.

2) When a student has make-up work to complete, the work is due the next time that class meets. (as per Student Handbook)

3) No late work; will be accepted. (see me)

4) When a student misses a test or a quiz, the assessment **MUST** be made up within 2 school days of the absence. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!!** The make-up session must be student initiated and should comply with student handbook.

5) Major assignments (like a project or report) are **DUE** on the due date whether the student is in class or not. If the major assignment is not going to be turned in on the **DUE DATE**, it is the student's responsibility to communicate before the fact with the instructor a grade of zero will be assigned.

6) General classroom rules:

- Be respectful to the teacher and fellow students.
- No eating or drinking in class, except water.
- Any major discipline problems will result in the student meeting with me who will assess what, if any, appropriate action is needed.
- **DO NOT BE TARDY!** (Tardy policy was explained on the first day of school)

The instructor reserves the right to make changes course content and/or grading procedures as needed.