Social Studies 9

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> WELCOME TO ANADA RUIET, PLEASE

Issues for Canadians

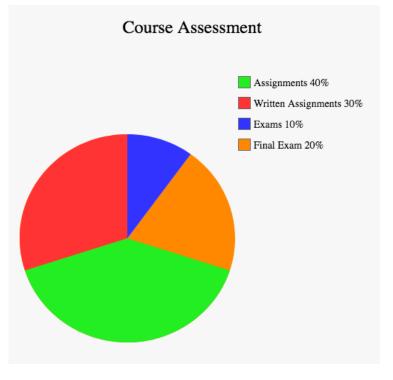
Social Studies provides opportunities for students to develop the attitudes, skills and knowledge that will encourage them to become engaged, informed and responsible citizens. The program emphasizes the importance of diversity as it reflects multiple perspectives, that contribute to Canada's evolving society. Social Studies is the study of people in relation to each other and their world. It is an issues-focused and inquiry-based interdisciplinary subject that draws upon history, geography, ecology, economics, law, philosophy, political science and other social science disciplines. This course helps students develop their sense of self and community, encouraging them to affirm their place as citizens in an inclusive, democratic society.

Social Studies 9 studies the organization of government in Canada. This includes a look at how we elect or appoint members of government to the various branches, and what their responsibilities are as members of government. A big part of government is the creation of laws to maintain a just society, so we will learn about the Youth Criminal Justice Act, as well as laws that impact immigration. The government also plays a role in economics, so we will compare Canada's economy to the United States, as well as exploring what our role is as consumers and how this impacts quality of life.

Parents are encouraged to visit <u>powerschool</u> often to assist with monitoring assignment completion. If you are unsure of how to access PowerSchool, contact the office and they can assist you. We encourage all students to check their PowerSchool account on a regular basis. **Textbook:** *Issues for Canadians* Please note: replacement cost of this book is \$73.00

Unit Overview:

February - Electoral Systems and Branches of Government March- Youth Criminal Justice Act, Rights April- Immigration & Economics May - Consumerism & Film Fest June - The environment and PAT Prep



<u>BCHS Social Studies Department - Late</u> Assignment Policy

It is essential for students to complete their assigned work within the time specified in order to demonstrate an understanding of key concepts, which allows for feedback to be provided in a timely manner. In the event that an assignment is not completed by the deadline, it is the student's responsibility to make arrangements with the teacher.

Assignments that have not been discussed will receive a code of **MISSING** in *PowerSchool*, which will be calculated as a zero. This mark *may* be adjusted at the teacher's discretion after discussion with the student (and possibly parent). Any questions or concerns regarding this policy need to be directed to the teacher.

Expectations

- Show up prepared (binder, pen, paper, textbook)
- Ask for help promptly
- Attend FOCUS and TLB as required
- Food: no food or drinks other than water in class
- Bathroom breaks: must use hall pass
- Assignments due at the beginning of class unless otherwise indicated
- Arrive on time and ready to learn
- Absences: you are responsible for all missed work, I will not remind you → see <u>powerschool</u> frequently!
- Extensions: must make arrangements with teacher BEFORE due date, if absent day of extension have someone bring it in
- Phone: no cell phone zone
- Seating Plan: students have the power to make smart choices
- Current Events: consistent and ongoing

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Electronic Submission Standard

NO PHONE ZONE

Assignments may be submitted electronically to the email address or website provided. Be sure to give yourself time for technical difficulties. Assignments missing because of "no internet" or "computer trouble" will still be counted as a **zero** so make sure you give yourself some time.