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Room 282

UNITS of STUDY

Unit One: Who Am I - Who am I as a young adult? What kind of person am I and what kind of person do I want to be? How have I changed over the past few years? What are my rights and responsibilities as a teenager? Who or what has contributed significantly to my life thus far?

Unit Two: Wellness - How do I make decisions, good vs. bad? What skills do I need to have in order to make better decisions? Where can I go to seek advice? How does my mental and physical health affect my decision-making? How do I deal with failure, disappointment, loss, and stress?

Unit Three: Drugs - What is the science behind drugs, both legal and illegal? How do substance use and abuse affect the community in which I live? Where's the line between use and abuse? What does a person need to know and think about in order to make safe, healthy decisions about drugs?

Unit Four: Sexual Health - Understanding relationships in my life and how to improve one's communication skills. Understanding what is sexual consent, gender identity, anatomy, contraception, sexually transmitted infections, pregnancy, and the consequences of premature sexual activity.

STRUCTURE

Weekly Assignments - In this class you will need to be conscious of our unit topics and our weekly schedule in order to complete all work on time. All assignments will be posted online via Canvas however not every assignment will be submitted digitally. You must have a pen and paper with you every day in class. My goal is to always have a consistent design and routine for all assignments as I attempt to merge traditional and new technologies into our curriculum. Occasionally, you'll be placed in groups where collaboration and teamwork will be emphasized. I believe learning how to work on a team and getting to know your classmates is critical to being successful in high school.

Participation - As a high school student, I expect you to attend all class meetings ready to learn and actively participate. This also means being prepared for class so please have your laptop (this may be personal or you may borrow an in-classroom Chromebook), a notebook/binder, and a pen every day for class. Cell phones will not be used inside the classroom and someone who acts inappropriately will be removed from our classroom and sent to the office.

Assessments - I will use a variety of different quizzes and written tests where I'll ask you to interpret our studies and apply your knowledge. Assessments will take place via Canvas at the end of every unit.

Grades - your semester grade is a culmination of points that are distributed throughout the semester within the three categories mentioned above (assignments, participation, assessments).