



## **ECONOMICS 2016-2017**

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### **COURSE SYLLABUS/ INFORMATION – This is a one Semester Course**

This course is designed to familiarize the student with the factors that have influenced the growth and development of the free enterprise system. Emphasis is placed on topics such as unemployment, inflation, international trade, banking, the interaction of business and labor, the effects of government spending/taxes and personal finance.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

The frameworks found in the Texas Essential Knowledge & Skills (TEKS) will guide teacher instruction throughout the course. Specific TEKS for the course can be located at: <http://ritter.tea.state.tx.us/rules/tac/chapter118/index.html>.

**TEXTBOOK – An on line version of the text will be here soon!**

### **MATERIALS**

3 Ring Binder/Folder - Small Spiral Notebook (optional) - (Pens/Pencils) - Loose Leaf Paper and Dividers

### **TUTORING SCHEDULE**

Coach Fazekas: Monday-Friday (7:00-7:20)

Coach Velten: Monday-Friday (3:00-3:20)

Students may see either instructor for tutoring based on their before/after school activities.

### **ATTENDANCE/TARDIES/ID/DRESS CODE**

All students in this class will be subject to all MHS policies, as stated in your MHS Student Handbook.

### **Number of grades for regular classes**

You will have a minimum of 15 grades per Six-Week grading period. At least TWO of those grades will be a major assessment/test.



## **GRADING POLICY**

Tests/Major Assessments will count 50% of each student's six-week grade. The remaining 50% will be derived from other sources of student achievement as determined by the teacher

## **MISSED EXAMS/ASSIGNMENTS**

Students are expected to complete all assignments by the given deadlines. If a student has an excused absence on the day a test, quiz or assignment is due, the student will be expected to submit the work upon the student's return to class. For example, if a student is absent one day and a test is administered in class, then that student is expected to make up the exam on the day they return to class. For multiple absences on continuous days, arrangements should be made with the instructor to determine deadlines for missed work. It is the student's responsibility to request make-up work and to communicate with the instructor. A student with an unexcused absence will receive no higher than a 70 on any assignment.

## **CLASS PARTICIPATION**

Students are expected to participate in each class meeting. Participation consists of actively learning by taking notes, asking content specific questions, completing assignments, and being prepared for class. **Students need to bring their binders and other materials to class each day.** Any class behavior that is distracting in any way to the educational environment of the class will not be tolerated.

## **Test Retakes-Minimum Requirements:**

You will be allowed to demonstrate proficiency of learning objectives by means of a retest for a maximum of 70% of the original score possible. All retakes must be completed within one week of the exam date. Students are encouraged to attend tutorials.

Mid term or final exams are not to be included in the retake/retest process.

## **SCOPE & SEQUENCE- This is a one Semester Course**

Units 1 and 2	1 <sup>st</sup> Six Weeks
Units 3, 4, 5	2 <sup>nd</sup> Six Weeks
Units 6, 7, 8	3 <sup>rd</sup> Six Weeks



## **TENTATIVE DATES FOR MAJOR ASSIGNMENTS/ASSESSMENTS**

Unit 1 Test – September 8

Unit 2 Test – September 28

Unit 3 Test – October 12

Unit 4 Test – October 26

Unit 5/6 Test – November 17

Unit 7 Test – December 2

Vocabulary Test – TBA

Entrepreneur Project – TBA

**Semester Exams – A Day December 14 and B Day December 16**

## **DISCIPLINE**

Our philosophy of discipline is centered on mutual respect. I am in full support of all school rules and will enforce them.

## **ACADEMIC DISHONESTY**

Acts of academic dishonesty (copying, cheating, plagiarism) will be dealt with swiftly and severely. MISD rules on academic dishonesty are explained in the Student Handbook.

## **LATE WORK**

Students may be assessed a penalty of no more than 30 points for up to one class period before a zero may be given for work not turned in on time.

## **TECHNOLOGY DEVICES**

Ipad/phones/lap tops/ETC. need to be put away unless you are instructed to use them for educational purposes.

## **ADVISORY CLASS**

All students need to bring a book to read or have something to study each day. You must have a purple pass to go to another class for tutoring.

**If your child has any medical, emotional or learning needs that require immediate attention, please let me know so we can work together to make school a positive experience for your child.**