**Economics**

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**Welcome to your senior year at EPHS!**

Believe it or not, this course will greatly benefit you in life. The goal is for you to be an informed citizen and make rational financial decisions as an adult.

**Suggested Supplies**

Just the basics: **pencils, pens, paper, notebook**, and **dividers** (optional) to separate units. I do not collect notebooks, just individual assignments. So, it is OK to store it in a giant binder with other subjects if needed.

**Expectations**

Be **ready** at the beginning of class each day. This is fast paced and there is no time to waste!

Be **responsible** (bring supplies each day and keep up with materials).

Be **respectful:** Sometimes we simply need to agree to disagree and appreciate the differences between us.

**Rules**

1. Obviously, **follow all rules in the EPHS / Paulding County School District handbook**. You are seniors and should know how to behave at this point.

2. This is a Milestones EOC class and we need to maximize instructional time. **Please do not ask to go to** the Raider Trader, to visit other teachers, or to go to the media center to work on something for another teacher during my class.

3. **No food or drinks allowed** in this room due to a recent insect infestation; however, water is allowed. Also, please understand there are a lot of students with various food allergies taking this course. We absolutely cannot risk causing an allergic reaction.

4. You can always use the **restroom** when needed. Please just try to **wait 10 minutes** into class before asking to go (except in the case of an emergency).

5. **Cell phones**: It is simple, just put your phone away. I will let you know when it is ok to use it. There are too many disruptions regarding outlets and chargers. There will be one available outlet to use in case of emergency (back of room) You must ask before using.

6. Please **remove earbuds / headphones** when entering the classroom.

**Grading Policy**

**80 % of your grade is comprised of Formative** (daily tasks and quizzes) & **Summative** Assessments (exams and major projects / counts more)

Recovery/Mastery = Cumulative Unit 3 Exam & EOC (can replace lower test scores)

**20% Milestones EOC for Economics** (this also indicates mastery and can help or hurt your course grade)

Every aspect of the course is aligned with the Georgia Standards of Excellence for Economics. You will keep track of content via Essential Questions and answers, which are color coded for the five units. **The EQ sheets serve as a study guide** for the course and include matching standards, relevant vocabulary, and important graphs, charts, and diagrams. It is your responsibility to complete the answers to the EQs as we navigate through the course and then use them to study for exams.

Now that you know the rules and expectations, please also feel confident that I will truly try my very best to help you be successful. I will also encourage you to try *your* very best. I strive to make each and every day a fun experience, even in a course like Economics.

Looking forward to an INCREDIBLE year with the class of 2019!