

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

BUSINESS LAW

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COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Description:

This course is designed to introduce the student to the study of law through a brief look at how law developed, the legal system in the United States, the functions of the federal and state court systems, and civil and criminal law. Additional topics include computer law, financial crimes, legal careers, international law, discrimination, contracts and business organization. This course will help students become aware of their rights and responsibilities under the laws so they can function as responsible citizens in their personal and professional lives.

Required Class Materials:

Textbook, folder, notebook

Text: Understanding Business and Personal Law (South-Western)

Course Outline:

Criminal law
Problems in society
The law of torts
A dual court system
Trial procedures
How contracts arise
Genuine agreement
Capacity to contract
Consideration
Legality
Formation of a contract
How a contract comes to an end
Assignment, delegation, and breach of contract

Grading:

Grading is based on School Policy. Grades will be taken on daily homework, quizzes, Chapter tests, and projects. Each Chapter test will be worth 75 points. Questions consist of objective, short answer, applications, and essay.

Requirements:

Law Journal: Chapter concepts written in a notebook Due on day of Chapter test

Case Files: Law article summaries from publications 5 due on each scheduled date (*See Case File Handout)

Semester Project: Topic of student's choice (must be approved) 250 points (*See Project Handout)

Class Policies & Procedures:

1. Be in the classroom and seated when the bell rings.
2. Be prepared for class daily by bringing ALL needed materials with you.
(pencil, folder/notebook, textbook, calculator, planner)
3. Listen to and follow directions the first time they are given.
4. Work on assigned work first.
5. Students are expected to work until the bell rings. Do not pack up early.

Make-up Work:

The student is responsible for obtaining all make-up work when absent from class. The student will need to pick up work from Room A109 upon return to school. Missed work will be due the next class period. Missed tests should be rescheduled according to the Handbook.

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