

**804 WORLD GEOGRAPHY**  
**St. Wendelin Junior High School**

**Instructor:** Mr. Kuns

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**Description:** Elective

This course is designed to provide students with an overview of physical and cultural geography. World geography explores the interrelationships between the cultures of various nations and their environments. It is also a course that requires students to understand the world's geographic regions. World geography also requires students to relate events in the world today with regions under consideration.

**Assignments:** Assignments in this class will be of various types. Students will be expected to take chapter tests, quizzes, participate in class discussion, and complete all homework assignments. Projects and written or oral assignments will be given as well. All completed assignments are to be turned into your class folder. *Never leave an assignment on my desk!*

**Tests:** All tests will consist of matching, multiple choice, short answer or long response questions

**Quizzes:** All quizzes will be matching, multiple choice, true/false or short answer.

**Reports:** All written reports and projects are to be written in correct English and TYPED, (unless otherwise specified)

**Homework:** There will be homework in this class. It will consist of reading, writing, worksheets, project preparation, and preparing for tests and quizzes.

**Notes:** All students are required to take notes in this class. Students must have a notebook in which to take notes and a folder for compiling returned assignments. Your textbook is not the place for these items.

**Grades:** All grades in this class are based on the school grade scale. The teacher uses the formula of total points. There is no curve in this class. Your grade is one you earn from your work.

**Late Assignments:** Late assignments **WILL NOT** be accepted in this class. Due dates for assignments will be given in class. Assignments handed in after collection are late and will receive a zero.

**Cheating:** Cheating (including having crib sheets, having access to old tests, looking around, talking, passing notes, looking at other papers, etc.) will result in a student receiving a zero for the assignment, test or quiz. Receiving help with homework is not cheating, however simply copying homework does constitute cheating! Should you choose to copy in this class, you and the student who let you "borrow" their paper will receive zeroes for the assignment.

**Textbooks:** Damage to textbooks that is not considered normal for one year of use will result in book fines at the end of the year. *Take care of these books!*

I have read Mr. Kuns' course description, classroom guidelines and consequences. I do understand the guidelines for the classroom and the consequences.

Student Name (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Classroom Guidelines  
(Always posted in my room behind my desk.)

**1) Bring all materials to class, and be in your seat silent and ready to work when the bell rings.**

Be Prepared

- This includes, but is not limited to, a writing utensil, notebook, homework and assigned textbook.

**2) Respect and be polite to all people, and listen and stay seated when someone is talking.**

In Giving You Receive ~ *Give Respect, Get Respect*

- Always strive to be a good citizen in the classroom by respecting yourself, your peers and their property, Mr. Kuns and school property.
- Someone else's point of view - whether you agree or not - is important and must be respected. When someone else is speaking, listen respectfully.

**3) Obey ALL school rules in my classroom.**

**4) No Food or Drinks in the Classroom.**

**5) Give Me Your Homework.**

- No late assignments will be accepted.

**6) Open Your Eyes and Ears.**

- Read and listen to all directions carefully. You will lose points if you do not follow the directions.

**Consequences\***

1. Warning
2. Detention
3. Detention and a call home

\* If behavior becomes so disruptive that class cannot continue, the student will be asked to leave the room. A conference may be arranged by the teacher and may include any of the following: Mr. Kuns, the student, the assistant principal, the principal, and/or the parents.

## World Geography

### Unit 1 Physical and Human Geography: Chapter 1-4

- Aug. 24 – Sept. 3

### Unit 2 The United States and Canada: Chapters 5-8

- Sept. 4-18

### Unit 3 Latin America: Chapters 9-13

- Sept. 21- Oct. 6

### Unit 4 Western Europe: Chapters 14-17

- Oct. 7 - Oct. 20

### Unit 5 Central Europe and Northern Asia: Chapters 18-20

- Oct. 21-30

### Unit 6 Central and Southwest Asia: Chapters 21-23

- Nov. 2-11

### Unit 7 Africa: Chapters 24-27

- Nov. 12-23

### Unit 8 South Asia: Chapters 28-29

- Nov. 24 – Dec. 7

### Unit 9 East Asia and the Pacific World: Chapters 30-34

- Dec. 8-15

Exams: Dec. 16-18