

Psychology Course Expectations 2017-2018



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Welcome to Psychology-

I hope you are looking forward to a fun-filled and challenging year! I am available 3rd hour and before and after school for assistance. Also, feel free to email me with questions or concerns relating to the course.

Psychology is an elective social studies course designed to provide practical information regarding the mind, self and skills necessary to interpret their internal and external interactions. First semester themes include the history and background of psychology, the workings of the mind and body, and the developmental life span. Second semester will focus on learning and the cognitive process, personality and individuality, and other social issues.

Participation: The dissemination, sharing, and meaningful discussion of any and all appropriate/relevant ideas is of paramount importance in this classroom. Student must be active learners. This requires each student to take notes, turn in classwork, and be an active participant in classroom discussions and activities, which requires each student to listen as well as talk and participate in class-centered activities.

Grading Explanation:

- Assessments (projects, presentations, tests and quizzes, and written activities) will comprise 80% of the student's grade.
- Class Work/Homework is worth 20%.
- All activities help students prepare for unit assessments.

Extra credit is not guaranteed

Grading Scale:

100%-93%	A
92%-90%	A-
89%-88%	B+
87%-83%	B
82%-80%	B-
79%-78%	C+
77%-73%	C
72%-70%	C-
69%-68%	D+
67%-63%	D
62%-60%	D-
59%-0%	E

Respect

Yourself

The people around you

Education

The environment at CHS

"Respect yourself and others will respect you" - Confucius

Electronic Devices Note: Electronic devices must be placed in the phone caddy or put AWAY during the class period. Violations will be dealt with according to the CHS Cell Phone Policy. Other use of electronic devices is at the discretion of the instructor.

Student Hall Passes: Students will be given two passes to be used during each SEMESTER.

Textbook – Textbooks will not be assigned. Students may check the book out when necessary.

Classroom Expectations:

Behavior: Respect is a necessity. All policies of Clawson High School (see handbook) and the Board of Education are strictly followed.

Disciplinary Note: Anything that is done or said that is counterproductive will result in consequences such as a detention, parent contact, and/or administrative referral.

Assignments: All assignments not completed and submitted by the due date will see a reduction in their assigned point value. Missing assignments will receive a 0. Any student who has an excused absence may submit work upon his or her return and will receive sufficient time to make up work. Arrangements need to be made for missed tests or quizzes. It is the student's responsibility to find out what was missed during an absence.

Any form of plagiarism or cheating will not be tolerated and will be dealt with according to the CHS Student Handbook.

I have read and understand the syllabus for the 2017-2018 Psychology class and the school policies and procedures listed in the student agenda.

Student Signature _____

Student name printed _____

Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Parent/Guardian name printed _____

Email Address _____

Date _____

Concerns that you would like to make me aware of before school begins _____
