**Facing History and Ourselves**

**“Course Syllabus – Fall 2022/Spring 2023”**

All class information, assignments, and links to needed documents are available at the website:

[www.wshsfernandez.yolasite.com](http://www.wshsfernandez.yolasite.com)

**Introduction:**

Welcome to “Facing History and Ourselves!”  I am excited about teaching you this semester and look forward to getting to know each of you, even as we learn to navigate virtual teaching and learning together.

**Course Goals:**

The successful student will leave this course with the following:

1. a well-balanced understanding of and appreciation for the Holocaust, as well as the Civil Rights Era of American History.

2. a basic understanding of and appreciation for *The Constitution of the United States of America.*

3. a well-developed appreciation for democracy and capitalism.

4. a desire to continue studying issues surrounding racial history.

**Class Rules – Be Prompt, Be Prepared, Be Respectful.**

1. Students will be marked tardy who are not in their seat when the bell rings –

**possible reduction in participation average per infraction**.

3rd Tardy – email home

4th Tardy – “S” in conduct

6th Tardy – “N” in conduct

8th Tardy – “U” in conduct

2. Students are expected to have all appropriate materials including a charged laptop.

3. Students must respect the opinions of others in the classroom.  We will be discussing some very difficult, and often personal, issues.

4. Students must not have food or drink of any type out in the classroom.

5. Students are required to work quietly and diligently, as not to disturb.

6. Late work will be reduced by 20% per day. After a week late work will receive

a zero in the gradebook, unless the student has contacted the teacher with

specific details of the situation.

**Grading Policy:**

Grading for this class has been set by Shelby County Schools:

Homework (four grades = 2.5% each) = 10%

Class Participation (five grades = 1% each) = 5%

Classwork (five grades = 7% each) = 35%

Projects (only one grade) = 10%

Assessment (four grades = 10% each) =  40%

100%

**MSCS Grading Scale:**

MSCS has changed the Grading Scale for this year:

90-100 = A

80-89 = B

70-79 = C

60-69 = D

59 and below = F