

## CONTEMPORARY PROBLEMS COURSE EXPECTATIONS FORM

Course Description	<b>Contemporary Problems</b> –A course that will explore current events / problems and their effect on society. These events include political, social, economic, and TEEN issues that have happened in the current year.
Prerequisites	11 <sup>th</sup> or 12 <sup>th</sup> Grader; You must have a solid attendance record
Maturity/ Personality:	<p><b>Are you a responsible individual with an excellent work ethic and a mature attitude?</b></p> <p><b>Do you like analyzing controversial issues such as Gay Marriage, Abortion, Gun rights, Government control over TV, food, and drugs, etc...</b></p> <p><b>Are you naturally curious and motivated to learn about what is happening in the world today?</b></p> <p><b>Do you enjoy learning new concepts that aid you in understanding why things happen in the world?</b></p> <p><b>Do you watch the news?</b></p> <p><b>Do you like to talk about what is happening in politics?</b></p> <p><b>Do you read online news sources or magazines?</b></p> <p><b>Are you planning on attending college?</b></p> <p><i>**If these questions, and the required work load, fit your personality, then Contemporary Problems is a course you might enjoy</i></p>
Reading Homework:	Online sources, Periodicals, Political Magazines
Writing Homework:	Vocabulary, TV and Movie Observations, Online assignments
In class Note-Taking:	Daily note-taking on lectures, discussions, and video clips
Essay Assignments (Quarterly)	Essays
Critical Thinking:	This course requires an open mind that is receptive to exploring multiple points of views besides just your own.
Participation:	Active daily participation
Assessment (per week):	Quarterly unit tests
Attendance:	Attendance is critical to be successful in this class. Consistent participation in daily lectures, teacher led discussions, and group discussions.