Global I History and Geography (2013-2014) Mr. Vaughan/Mr. Roessel

**Global I Syllabus**

**I. Course Requirements**

Welcome Students.

The primary goal of this course is to prepare you for success on the June 2014 New York State, World History & Geography Regents exam. The NYS Regents exam is a mandatory graduation requirement for all students.

The abovementioned requirements are mandated requirements that have been set forth by the NYS Department of Education. Together, we will succeed with the requirements at hand.

II. Student Attendance and Behavior

As freshman in high school you are expected to act in a manner that is consistent with the behavior of mature adolescents. This means that you are polite, responsible, mature, cooperative and above all respectful. Discipline cannot be an issue for any student at this level of your academic career. You are young adults and must be treated and respected as such. But keep in mind that you must respect to be respected and vice versa.

You must be in your seat with your classroom notebook open and ready to write by the sound of the bell. If you are late without a pass, a phone call home or an administrator will be notified. Absences are allowed so long as those absences are excused, i.e. doctor’s note or a parent/guardian note. Excessive absences will result in a lowering of your final grade, and may require a meeting with your parent and/or guardian.

If you need to use the bathroom please do so before and after class. However, if it is absolutely necessary that you use the bathroom during class time do so quickly and simply raise your hand and ask.

**Grading:**

* 50 % classwork
* 30 % essay
* 10 % group projects
* 10 % class participation

**Daily routine:**

Mondays and Tuesday we will usually have a quick mini lesson (class discussion) on the topic at hand. Afterwards, we will complete worksheet based on text book readings. Wednesday and Thursday will begin with a mini lesson (class discussion) followed by class notes, from PowerPoint. Friday is essay day or a group activity. Essays will be based on topics discussed throughout the week.