## PSYCHOLOGY/SOCIOLOGY - COURSE SYLLABUS

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### **Psychology**

Psychology is the scientific study of behavior and mental processes. It is a unique science that often necessitates the use of special measurements and research methods. The course has four sections: psychological foundations and research; biological foundations; change in behavior and cognition; and variability of behavior among individual and groups.

## Sociology

This course is an introductory study in sociology, the study of social behavior and the organization of human society. Students will learn about the historical development of the field of sociology and the procedures for conducting research in sociology. Students will also learn the importance and role of culture, social structure, socialization, and social change in today's society.

**ABSENCES/TARDINESS:** Students please refer to the Henry County Student Handbook explaining tardiness and absenteeism for in person and remote learning.

MAKE-UP WORK: Students are responsible for making sure they receive any assignments he/she misses when absent from class. Students who need to make up tests, quizzes, or other major assignments are to make arrangements make up the assignment within a timely manner adhering to the Henry County Student Handbook. If you should have any concerns about the make-up work policy, please refer to the Henry County Student Handbook Grades:

Grades Reporting: Please refer to the Henry County Student Handbook for grades.

**GRADING SCALE:** Below is my Letter Grade Scale, which I may occasionally use to grade an assignment. This will allow you to translate letters into numbers.

A 100-90 B 89-80 C 79-74 D 73-70 F 69-below

#### How you will be graded:

Test and projects	Daily Work/	Final	
- 40%	Quizzes 40%	Exam/EOCT-	
		20% of your final	
		semester grade	

**DISCIPLINE:** Please refer to the Henry County Student Handbook where it discusses discipline and student expectations.

Classroom rules: 1. Be on time for class.

- 2. Bring all materials to class.
- 3. Be Respectful to others.

- 4. Do not eat or drink in class. (IN Person or Remote)
- 5. Be dressed appropriately for in person learning or remote learning.

Disciplinary Action will be taken as follows:

First Offense: Warning

Second Offense: Personal Conference

Third Offense: Parent Contact

Fourth Offense: Administrative Referral

\*Note: Some offenses will automatically receive an administrative referral. See the Henry County Student Handbook for further information.

**REQUIRED MATERIALS:** The following materials are required for class. With some exception (which is noted below).

# SCHOOL ISSUED CHROMEBOOK OR AN ANY OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICE THAT can be used for learning in a remote environment.

**ASSIGNMENTS:** Students will be required to complete in class assignments in a timely manner. In class assignments will include but are not limited to quizzes, essays and test.

LATE PENALTIES: Scaffold and Long-Term Assignments will have specific due dates given in advance. Students must submit these assignments in a timely manner. For each school day the assignment is late, the student will lose a percentage of his earned grade on that assignment.

CONTACT INFORMATION – Should your parents or legal guardian need to contact me throughout the school year, they may call the school at 770-954-3744 (Office hours are Mon-Fri 2:20-3:30pm). If parents wish to have a conference, please contact the counseling office or myself via e-mail or Google Meet.

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Please sign and date that you have read and understand the course syllabus.				
Student				
Parent				
Home#				
Cell#				
	Email			