Leadership Syllabus 2023-2024

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Description:

This course is designed to develop students into leaders through class activities and lectures; written assignments; planning; coordinating, and leading school wide activities; participating in projects that promote a positive school climate; and volunteering. This class is worth 5 credits and can, at the instructor's discretion, be taken multiple times for credit

Requirements:

Students will be expected to participate in class every day through written assignments, class activities, and planning sessions. The good news: there should be no take-home work for you to complete homework credits. There are no written tests in Leadership. The caveat: Your "homework" will be participation in lunch time activities EVERY FRIDAY.

ALL work (reflections, poster making, and other activities) must be logged and turned in by the end of each week. We will go over this the first week of class. In addition to the daily class work, you are expected to participate in and/or coordinate lunchtime activities at least once per week. Additional lunch activities can make up absences or be counted as extra credit. Volunteer work (verified via a charitable entity or another teacher on campus) is also an option to complete homework credit and makeup classwork. The majority of the lunch time activities are our Fun Fridays, but other projects can happen any day of the week. If you need to meet with a core subject teacher during lunch, try to plan around days you've agreed to participate in lunch time activities. See the attached list of lunch time jobs. Failure to complete classwork, logs, volunteer for positions during activities, or maintain appropriate behavior could result in no credits for the class or removal from the program.

Participation and completed journals/logs will determine your grade for the class.

You must demonstrate appropriate behavior during the entire school day – this includes appropriate classroom behavior, responsible attendance¹, and interactions with all other staff and students. Remember: you represent Buena Vista!

Students may be out of other classes during the day to accommodate Leadership activities. Only prearranged activities will be excused. It is the responsibility of the students to make sure any work missed in other classes is made up in a timely manner.

Attendance and participation are extremely important to this class – students need to be here, be respectful, and participate to earn a good grade and their credits. You will receive participation points for showing up, for being here the entire period (tardies and bathroom breaks will deduct points), and for being on task with the rest of the class.

Evaluation:

Grades will be based on work completed and participation in class and lunch or occasional after-school activities. Grades will be based on work quality, effort, participation, and effort on written work and weekly logs. Work that is not completed or made up is worth 0 points.

Class Participation = 5 points/day (around 25% of your grade)

Daily Log = 5 points/day (around 25% of your grade)

Lunch activity = 15 points/usually per week (around 15% of your grade)

Product = variable, but not to exceed 35 points in a week (up to 35% of your grade)

A: 90-100% B: 80-89% C: 70-79%

*69% and under will result in an NG for the course.

¹ Health & Safety is our priority – I don't want you to come to school if you are ill. Communicate early and often if you know you'll be out for an extended amount of time – we will figure out a way for you to be successful!