

**Grading and Class Policies**

Grades are earned through a basic point system derived from the following activities;

- Class attendance, participation and behavior
- AP style multiple choice and free-response essay tests
- Homework
- Quizzes
- Research papers-projects
- Midterm and final exams

Your average at any given time as well as your reported grades are calculated by dividing the number of points you have earned by the total points available. Tests and papers are worth the most points, followed by homework and quizzes.

The only fixed amount of points in a given quarter is for class attendance, participation and behavior. You all start out with a gift of 100 points. Keep them by attending class regularly, being on time, being prepared, participating constructively and behaving courteously. Unexcused lateness will cost you 5 points and unexcused absences will cost you 10 points each. Only *eschooldata* records are used to determine when a lateness or absence is excused.

You will receive a syllabus for each chapter with a reading schedule, homework assignments and due dates, quiz and test dates.

Late assignments lose 5 points per day for 2 days and become zero's by day three.