

Family Sociology

"Is My Family Crazy?"

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"When I speak of home, I speak of the place where -- in default of a better -- those I love are gathered together; and if that place were a gypsy's tent, or a barn, I should call it by the same good name notwithstanding." Charles Dickens

"Families with babies and families without babies are sorry for each other." Ed Howe

"Families are about love overcoming emotional torture."
Matt Groening

"Family jokes, thought rightly cursed by strangers, are the bond that keeps most families alive." Stella Bensen

Objective: Upon completing this class you will have a greater understanding of family units, culture and issues, relationships, and human behavior, which will help you to manage your family problems and hopefully help you to get along better with your own family.

Teacher Expectations:

- ✦ Come to class prepared, on time, ready to teach.
- ✦ Provide interesting and relevant learning opportunities
- ✦ Be available to answer questions, give extra help, etc.
- ✦ Be available in room 115 for extra help during Advisory, before and after school.
- ✦ Be fair and respectful to all students.

Student Expectations:

- ✦ Come to class prepared, on time, ready to learn.
- ✦ Do your best on all assignments, projects, group work, tests, etc.

- ✨ Ask for help when you need it!
- ✨ Follow all MTHS and Innovation School rules, attendance policy, and expectations.
- ✨ Due to the sensitive nature of our class topics, I expect you to be respectful of other's ideas or comments.
- ✨ Unless pre-approved, NO HEADPHONES, CELLPHONES, or other electronic devices allowed in class at any time. Failure to comply will result in the confiscation of device, which will be locked and stored until your parent come to retrieve it from me.

Grading:

- ✨ You **MUST** receive 60% or better to pass this class.
- ✨ You **MUST** ask for help when you need it. I am willing to help you in any way that you need, but you must take the responsibility to ask for help.
- ✨ Leadership points: 10% of your grade will consist of your efforts regarding leadership. See handout.
- ✨ Plagiarism is grounds for failing this class, I want you to learn or refine your research and writing skills, or to develop your own point of view.
- ✨ Your grade will be determined by averaging all of your assignments, group work, projects and test scores.
- ✨ Late work will be accepted until the end of each quarter.
- ✨ I am very stingy about giving incompletes. I expect you to take responsibility for your assignments when they are given.
- ✨ Please Note: Many assignments can be found on my webpage, you will be required to replace your own if you are in need of a second copy.

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Do not tear off please.

Student Name:

Parent Signature:

Kimberly Nelson
Thanks!