



# Macroeconomics

Mrs. Dougherty

**FOCUS:** Macroeconomics examines the behavior of the economy as a whole. The factors of long-run economic growth will be studied along with short-run changes in US domestic output and the flows of expenditures and income. There is an extensive look at inflation, unemployment and price determination. Concepts relating to macroeconomic instability will also be evaluated and discussed in terms of historical performance and theory. Additionally, the financial sector of an economy is examined through fiscal policy and US public debt, plus monetary policy and the factors affecting money supply and demand. Discussions will debate political and ethical implications connected to economic movement. Curriculum will conclude with a look at international trade and the global economy.

**TEXT:** McConnell, C., Brue, S., & Flynn, S. (2012). *Economics: Principles, Problems, & Policies* (19th ed.). New York, NY: McGraw-Hill.

**GOOGLE DRIVE:** Google Drive and Google applications will be used for students to create and organize classwork, maintain a notebook and collaborate on assignments. Canvas will be used to manage student activity for the course.

**GRADING:** Active student involvement is a good way to reinforce learning. The course will encourage student participation in a variety of ways. Students should assume the responsibility to participate in discussions, activities and cooperative learning exercises. Assignments will have a point value that is averaged to produce a marking period grade.

Marking period grades are distributed using the following scale.

A= 100 – 90%   B= 89 - 80%   C= 79 - 70%   D= 69 - 60%   F=less than 60%

Students may remediate one test a marking period (excluding mid-term and final exam). Remediation needs to be discussed within one week after assessment is returned.

**CLASS CUTS:** School policy dictates that for each marking period the first class cut will result in a Saturday detention, second cut will lower your grade by one letter and a third cut will result in a failing grade.

**MISSED WORK:** Missed work due to absence must be completed by a date agreed to between the student and teacher. Students missing a class each week due to a lab are advised to be assertive in gathering information regarding missed work and teacher assistance is available if discussed in advance.