



## *LAW IN SOCIETY*

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### ***Course Description:***

This course is designed to acquaint students with basic legal principles common to business and personal activities. Law in Society is an overview of criminal, civil, contract, and consumer law. Topics include evaluating contracts, purchasing appropriate insurance, interpreting state and federal criminal law, and representing other businesses as employees or contractors, ...

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### ***Course Objectives:***

Upon successful completion of this course, students will have a better understanding of the societal laws, statues and legal forms of business organization. Students will also understand the importance of borrowing money and paying bills as they relate to business and/or personal use.

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### ***Classroom Expectations:***

You are expected to conduct yourself in a respectful and productive manner. In addition to all the rules and expectations listed in the student handbook, I expect you to have a positive attitude, treat others with respect, practice self-discipline, and demonstrate responsibility. If these conditions are not met, you can expect one-on-one meetings with me, parent/instructor conferencing, and administrative action, if necessary.

#### **Concerning the use of cell phones and other electronic devices:**

Devices should be on silent and kept in your purse, backpack, or pocket during class unless otherwise instructed. You may not place it on your desk. Parents, guardians, and other family members should call the front office in case of emergency.

If you violate this rule, you can expect the following consequences:

- *First offense* – The phone or device will be placed in a phone chart at the front of the room. You may pick it up at the end of class.
  - *Second offense* – The phone or device will again be placed in a phone chart at the front of the room until the end of class and a parent/guardian will be notified.
  - *Third offense* – This is defiance and I will notify an administrator.
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### ***Grading Policy:***

Major assessments will count 70 percent of your grade. Homework and classwork will account for 30 percent of your grade. Grades will be updated weekly in PowerSchools. Each grading period will consist of nine weeks.

Make-up tests will only be given to a student who has an excused absence. The



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***Make-up Work Policy:***

student must make arrangements with the teacher to take a make-up test. Tests may be taken during Patriot Path with prior arrangement from each teacher. A student only has two chances (the next two Patriot Paths after the absence) to make up a test. All make-up tests will be administered in the designated classroom on the Patriot Path session roster.

Homework/Classwork: Students who are absent for excused reasons will be permitted to make up missed work. It is the student's responsibility to get their work assignments the day upon return to school and complete the assignments according to a time frame determined by the teacher within two weeks of the date of the last absence. Grades of zero will be assigned for assignments missed because of unexcused absences.

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***Text and Other  
Required Reading:***

Law for Business and Personal Use, 19e Adamson&Morrison

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***Materials and  
Supplies Needed:***

Paper PEN Laptop (Personal or Laptop) Earbuds/Headphones

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***Laptops***

**Concerning laptop utilization:** 1. Student laptops should not be hard-wired to the network or have print capabilities. 2. Use of discs, flash drives, jump drives, or other USB devices will not be allowed on Madison City computers. 3. Neither the teacher, nor the school is responsible for broken, stolen, or lost laptops. 4. Laptops and other electronic devices will be used at the individual discretion of the teacher.

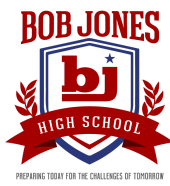
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***Turnitin Notice  
(English Courses)***

The majority of writing assignments in this course will be submitted to Turnitin via the Schoology learning platform. Turnitin generates a report on the originality of student writing by comparing it with a database of periodicals, books, online content, student papers, and other published work. This program will help students discern when they are using sources fairly, citing properly, and paraphrasing effectively - skills essential to all academic work.

Students will have the opportunity to review their Turnitin originality report and will have the opportunity to make revisions before submitting their work for grading. Once their work is submitted, teachers have the opportunity to view the student/s originality report and grade accordingly.

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***Accommodations***

Requests for accommodations for this course or any school event are welcomed from students and parents.

Example: 18 – WEEK PLAN*	
Weeks 1-3	Unit 1 Chapters 1-5 Law, Justice and You
Weeks 4-7	Unit 2 Chapters 6-12 Contract Law
Weeks 8-10	Unit 3 Chapters 13-20 The Law of Sales/Property Law
Weeks 11-15	Unit 4 Chapters 21-28 Employment Law and Legal Forms of Business Organizations
Weeks 16-18	Unit 5 Chapters 29-33 Borrowing Money and Paying Bills
Week 19	Review for Final

\*This is a tentative plan and may change at the discretion of the teacher.

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Please sign below to acknowledge that you have received, read, and understood the syllabus.

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian, please provide two ways for me to contact you (email address, phone numbers):

Parent/guardian Email/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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