**Welcome to Law 12**
Law is a grade 12 course that is an introduction to the Canadian legal system. The course is designed to provide students with knowledge of law and its function in society, and to provide students with the opportunity to develop skills and attitudes that will enable them to understand the process of law. We will focus on the development of Canadian law from early laws that influenced the formation of our own, to modern laws and procedures.

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**Six Compulsory Units:**

Introduction to Law

Human Rights and Freedoms

Criminal Law

Civil Law

International Humanitarin Law

Independent Study

**Text**

*Law in Action: Understanding Canadian Law* $68.80

**Course Evaluation:**

Assignments / Projects 25%

Class Work 15%

Tests 20%

Independent Study 10%

Exam 30% **Assignment Due Dates**

Assignments sumbitted after the due date will be penalized 20% if one day late and an additional 10% each additional day late. Arrangements should be made prior to an assignment due date in order for you to not be penalized. It will be your responsibility to ensure that you have passed all assignments in.

**Missing a test**

If you are not here the day a test is written, you will need to have a note or an excused absence from your parent or guardian. On your return to school, you must write the make-up test. It will be your responsibility to ensure you write the make-up test!

 **Case Studies**

Independent project work is a major component of this course. The case studies will be completed using various formats (short essay, power point presentation, debate, seminar, etc.). Guidelines and rubrics will be provided as the class progresses.

 **Plagiarism**

Plagiarism on any assignment or project is unacceptable. Any incidence of plagiarism will result in a zero for that assignment. Plagiarism includes:

* Using direct words of another source or person without giving credit for this use by proper quotation and the inclusion of citation.
* Closely paraphrasing the words of another source without giving credit to the source.
* Using tables, pictures, charts, figures, etc., without giving proper credit.

**Website**

Most homework and tests will be posted on the website. The address is: <http://lemonmd.weebly.com/>


Check the website frequently!
You will be responsible for getting online – there are lots of computers in the school, such as the library and in the classroom. You will be given adequate time to do computer assignments if you do not have one at home!

**Moodle**

Most handouts, assignments, and notes will be avaliable on the moodle site. When you are absent please check on the moodle site for the work you have missed prior to checking with me. Check the site frequently as it will be updated regularlarly.

**Contact**

If you need to contact me outside of school hours the best way to reach me is via email at lemonmd@staff.ednet.ns.ca. You can also send me an email through the website mentioned above. You can contact me at school at (902) 825-5350.

**Extra Help**
Available by appointment.

 **Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

I look forward to teaching you. Welcome to Law! ☺

**Communication Plan for Parents**

I have the pleasure of teaching your son/daughter this semester in one of my classes. Your child has been given a course outline of expectations and goals that we hope to achieve by the end of the semester. Occasionally it may be necessary for me to contact you regarding progress and performance, or for you to contact me should you have any questions.

**Contacting me:**

Email: lemonmd@staff.ednet.ns.ca (The best way to get in touch with me)

Phone: 825-5350 (MRHS)

**Reporting**Student progress reports will be sent home at intirm, mid-term, and end of semester. Parent-Teacher visits will take place on Thursday, November 21st (6:30-8:00) & Friday, November 22nd (1:00-3:30).

**Homework**

You can check what homework / assignments / tests students will have via the website:
<http://lemonmd.weebly.com>



If at any time you would like to have an up to date mark, please log onto the parent portal. All parents have their **own** logins and passwords to access this site. Please contact Mr. Greg Bower (greg.bower@avrsb.ca) to access your login information.

Please detach below and return to me via your child. I look forward to meeting you at the Meet and Greet on Thursday, Sept. 12 (6:00-7:30).

**Parents/Guardians Please Sign Below:**
Name:

Signature:

Email:

Phone: