

**Southern Regional High School**  
Manahawkin, New Jersey  
**Course Syllabus**

**Department:** Social Studies

**Course:** Critical Issues

Marking Period 1

Topics/Units to be covered:

- Classroom Expectations/Grading
- Introduction to Psychology: History of psychology and theories of psychology and the anatomy of the brain.
- Sensation and Perception
- Classical & Operant conditioning
- Quarterly

Marking Period 2

Topics/Units to be covered:

- Memory and Thinking
- Intelligence
- States of Consciousness
- Quarterly

Marking Period 3

Topics/Units to be covered:

- Developmental Psychology
- Development of Personality and personality disorders.
- Abnormal Psychology
- Quarterly

Marking Period 4

Topics/Units to be covered:

- Introduction to Sociology
- Understanding cultures (American and others)
- Social Structure
- Crime and Deviancy
- Final Exam