



Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Welcome to High School Social Studies! My name is Ms. Wiehe, and this will be my fourth year teaching and second year at Busan Foreign School. I am so excited to be teaching AP Macroeconomics, U.S. History, Comparative Government, and History Through Film Social Movements!

I come to Busan from Roseville, Minnesota. I earned my Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education with emphasis in History and Psychology at the University of Minnesota-Duluth. I student-taught in Ireland at a middle and high school before working at an all-Somali school in Minneapolis. While at my previous school I was involved in school leadership on the instructional leadership team and the professional development team and coached the National History Day groups. I will continue to be involved with Model United Nations this year and am looking forward to finding other ways to encourage students to be involved at BFS. I enjoy teaching, traveling, reading, dancing, and discussing pop culture.

My goal as an educator is to guide your child toward academic success and to help build critical thinking skills that will help them blossom into adulthood. I will do my part to inform you when your child isn't working to their potential and/or when they are involved in disruptive class behavior.

I am dedicated to the well-being of your child and I need your cooperation in helping them reach their potential. Please feel free to contact me by email lwiehe@bfs.or.kr with any concerns regarding your child's academic success. I will gladly reply within 24 hours.

Please help your child purchase the following materials for class:

For everyday use:

- 1) 3 ring binder (3-5 cm) or folder
- 2) Pen/pencils (Multicolored for AP Macro)
- 3) Notebook or paper for notes

Other supplies needed:

- 4) Highlighters
- 5) Index Cards (AP Macro only)
- 6) Scissors (*optional*)
- 7) Glue sticks (*optional*)
- 8) Coloring supplies (*optional*)

I am looking forward to working with you throughout the coming year, and I am confident that together we can provide the support and encouragement needed to help your child excel.

Sincerely,

Laurel Wiehe

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High School Social Studies Teacher