

US History Honors

Semester 2 2021

Instructor Information

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General Information

Description

U.S. History: Civil War to Current

This course acquaints students with the history of the United States from 1860's to the 21st Century. The high school United States History framework focuses on developing students' understanding of American History from the Progressive response to industrialization through the early 21st century. The framework builds on the grade 8 United States History experience and is designed to ensure that all students complete their study of United States History by examining the events, personalities, and ideas that defined life in the early 21st century. The "Bridge Unit from Middle School United States History: Growth of Industrial and Urban America" in the high school framework is the same as the final unit in the grade 8 United States History framework.

Expectations and Goals

While we are living in challenging times, we must still be ready to learn at the assigned times, provided to you from the school. We will be learning a lot of material in a very short period. Full participation is required for success in the class. This class is built on discussions and using critical thinking skills. We will be reading a lot of resources and dissecting these resources together.

Our goal is to know more today, than we did yesterday and know more tomorrow, than we did today. This will ensure retention for exams and writing assessments. Keep moving forward!! Kick back, relax and let's have some fun learning about our world's history.

Grading

Assessments are 60% of overall grade.

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At the end of the semester, each student will be allowed to remove 1 grade of their choice.

(PLEASE REMEMBER If you choose not to do the assignments, that is fine, but know your grades will be based off assessments only.)

Classroom Procedures

Time: Once we return to a traditional setting of in-person learning, you are expected to be on time and ready to learn. Please have your materials, needed for class, with you when you enter the room.

Bathroom: Please be sure to use the restroom before class.

Cell Phone: If I see it, it is a distraction.

Food and Drink: TBD by Mr. Stofa

Course Materials

Required Materials

- Access to the internet
- Proper technology to utilize
- Notebook
- Black or Blue inked Pens

Required Text

Glencoe “The American Republic” By McGraw-Hill

Course Schedule and Exam Dates: (Subject to change) Allow for flexibility due to COVID-19 and the loss of instructional days.

Semester 2: January 27th, 2021

Quarter 3- January 27th to April 1st, 2021

Quarter 2- April 1st to June 15th, 2021