

American History II CT

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Course Description United States History II

This course will focus on the development and evolution of America on the world stage. Special emphasis will be placed on the results of the social, geographic, cultural, and political transformation from the period of World War I to the present.

Course outline

- **Unit 1: World War I**
- **Unit 2: Roaring Twenties**
- **Unit 3: The Great Depression/New Deal**
- **Unit 4: World War II**
- **Unit 5: The 1950s**
- **Unit 6: Kennedy and the Great Society**
- **Unit 7: The Civil Rights Movement**
- **Unit 8: The Vietnam War**
- **Unit 9: The Counterculture Movement**
- **Unit 10: The 1970s**
- **Unit 11: The 1980s**
- **Unit 12: The 1990s to the Present**

Resources: iPad, notebook, paper, pen/pencils, and your textbook.

Grading Policies:

Summative assessment 50% (tests, quizzes, projects, and papers)

Formative assessment 35% homework

Participation 15%

Each quarter makes up 45% of the semester grade. In addition a final exam makes up 10% of the students overall grade.

Communication: I am happy to assist students with questions outside of the classroom, and I encourage every student to self-advocate for themselves if they are in need of clarification. The best way to contact me is through my email address at any time of the day. I try to respond to this as quickly as possible.

Late and Absent Work: Homework or any academic work turned in late will not receive full credit. Work turned in one day late will receive an 80% maximum score, work

received after two days will receive a maximum 50% score. No work will be allowed to be turned in after the conclusion of the unit of study.

Excused absence work will fall in line with school policy and will not be considered late. If work is turned in after the grace period given, it will be considered late. All electronic work must also be submitted **before** the class period. (If not it is considered to be late.)

IT IS ALWAYS BETTER TO MAKE UP MISSING WORK.

Cheating- DO NOT DO IT! If cheating, suspected cheating, or attempted cheating takes place you will receive an automatic zero on the assignment and appropriate disciplinary action.*** (Includes talking during a test)***

Plagiarism- Plagiarism falls under the cheating category. Any text that is borrowed, quoted, or otherwise included from an outside source must be cited or its inclusion is considered plagiarism. If plagiarism occurs, you will receive a zero and will be further dealt with in accordance with school policy.

Electronic use policy -Electronic devices may only be used when there is a specific purpose for classroom use and that purpose has been approved by the instructor.

-Electronic devices may not be used for entertainment purposes during class time.

-All electronic devices are subject to inspection of proper use.

-If the students are not able to prove that they are using their electronic devices in the approved fashion then the privilege to use that device will be suspended.

General Guidelines

1. You will not be marked tardy if you are in your seat when the bell rings. If you are not in your seat, only a signed note from a teacher will excuse the tardy.
2. Everyone will be better off if only one person talks at a time.
3. Don't be afraid to ask questions, particularly if something seems difficult.
4. Read the material before the assigned class period.
5. Be careful with all classroom materials, especially your books. Take your materials with you after class including garbage, to keep the room clean.
6. Bring your own pens, papers, books, etc. every day.
7. Remember that your performance and behavior in this class is your responsibility and yours alone. A major part of maturity is accepting responsibility without blaming other people.

8. Things happen in life that do not appear to be fair from all perspectives---this classroom is no exception. Not everything will always seem fair to everyone, but part of growing up is learning to understand and deal with it.
9. Not everything in class can necessarily be made up. Please try to be here and complete any absent work as soon as possible.
10. All of you are talented enough to do the assigned work without any help from each other. If you need help with completing an assignment I am more than willing to answer questions before the assignment is due. "Working together" does not mean sharing answers. All of your work should reflect your own individual expression of the subject matter and should not be rephrased or copied off someone else.
11. In group projects and activities, all members of the group are expected to contribute equally to the overall success of the project.
12. In this room, students are graded on production, not talent. Be prepared to prove yourselves over and over again, but always keep in mind that I want you to do well.