

Course Syllabus
US History
2009-10
Walton-Verona High School

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Course Description:

This is a junior program that is a comprehensive course in American History that is organized chronologically. The focus is on those forces that shaped and continue to shape political, economic, and social institutions and the impact of those forces on the development of the United States in the Twentieth century. This course will cover American History from Reconstruction up to and including the Vietnam War.

Student Outcomes:

- The successful student will have an understanding of historic events that have occurred in the United States and how these events have shaped the present United States politically, economically, and socially.

Text & Materials Required:

- You will need the following materials for this course: spiral notebook & one folder.
- The following materials need to be brought to class *everyday*: textbook, writing utensil, folder, & spiral lecture notebook.

Grading System:

- Grades will be based on a variety of different activities such as: homework, quizzes, tests, assignments, current events, writing logs, small group work, & a portfolio entry.
- All grades will be weighted the same no matter if a test or a homework assignment.
- It is strongly recommended that students look at the vocabulary bulletin for this class each day. These are key to you having a better understanding of this class.
- Students will be notified of current grade each Monday of the school year and after each major test.

Absentee Information / Make-up Work:

- It is the student's responsibility to get all make-up work from classes missed.
 - A tray in the back of the room will have a list of what you missed, along with papers you need.
- All quizzes/tests must be completed before or after school.
- The homework hot-line number is **485-7402**, and my extension is **#1106**. This is updated daily.

Class Rules:

- No one leaves the class during instructional time. No exceptions.
 - Do not ask to use the following during class-time: phone, bathroom, drink, or other teachers/students.
 - We will **ALWAYS** take a break (restroom & drink) about midway through class for 1st, 4th, and 5th block. Those in 2nd or 3rd block will get no break (only 55 minutes)
 - Do not ask to use the phone, get sodas, visit the cafeteria, or visit others during this time.
 - If late from the break, class loses the break the rest of the week.

- Be in the classroom when the bell rings (coming through the door is considered tardy).
-If you are late to class, please bring a note from the teacher who detained you.
- During Channel One News there is to be no talking during the show (you may talk quietly during the commercials).
 - 5 Points per day for Channel One, just watching and being quiet.
- Unless given permission to be on the floor, stay in your seat.
-Sharpen your pencil & get make up work before class begins.
- Be courteous and considerate to others in the room and listen to what they have to say.
- Make-up work is located in the binds on top of the book shelf by my desk.
 - All make up work will be passed out at the beginning of class.
 - Do not turn in late / make up work during class time. Before or at the end of class.
- Do not leave books, folders, notebooks in the classroom.
- Substitute teachers should be treated in a respectful manner.
- No food in class
- No Cell Phones and IPODS in class, do not ask!!!
- Drinks must have a top on it (no cups, etc)
- Do not touch the Promethean Board / Projector.
- Do not write on the Promethean Board (it is not a dry eraser board)
- Lunch: if this is a 4th block class. You have 4 minutes to get to room after being called.

Behavior Procedures:

- 1: Verbal Reprimand and/or Teacher Conference
- 2: 30 Minute Detention
- 3: 60 Minute Detention & Phone Call To Parents
- 4: Office Referral

Attendance Incentive:

- All students with perfect attendance or with only one excused absence from my class each nine-weeks will receive one extra credit point added to their nine-week grade.

Course Credit:

- This is a required class for graduation. It is a semester class worth 1 credit hour towards high school diploma.

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____