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UNION GROVE HIGH SCHOOL
Course Syllabus

Instructor: Mrs. Amanda Okrutny
Mrs. Lori Goolsby

Room: 125

Year: 2018-2019

Course Name: US HISTORY **Textbook Used:** The Americans, McDougal-Littell (\$64.98)

Supplementary Texts or Special Materials:

- 3 or 5 subject spiral notebook for U.S. History only (five star tends to be more durable and last the entire year. This will be an InterActive Notebook)
- Extra Notebook paper (You will not tear paper from the INB)
- Pens, pencil, and textbook (multi-colored bic pens are helpful for note taking)
- Colored pencils and highlighters may be purchased for personal/home use
- Note Cards

Course Description: The high school United States history course provides students with a comprehensive, intensive study of major events and themes in United States history. Beginning with early European colonization, the course examines major events and themes throughout United States history. The course concludes with significant developments in the early 21st century. Mastery of the Georgia Standards of Excellence will be expected of all students. Mastery is defined as achieving a minimum of 90% of the course content. Mastery of those standards should be evident with an ‘Exceeds’ score on the Georgia Milestone Test for United States History.

Course Outline and Content: 13 Units

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| 1. Colonialism | 7. Gilded Age |
| 2. Road to Revolution & American Revolution & Articles of Confederation | 8. Progressive Era & Imperialism |
| 3. US Constitution & Early Republic | 9. WWI & Roaring 20's |
| 4. Age of Jefferson | 10. Depression, New Deal & World War II |
| 5. Jackson & Reform Sectionalism | 11. Cold War |
| 6. Civil War & Reconstruction | 12. Civil Rights Modern Era |
| | 13. EOC Review End of Year |

Special Assignments and Projects: Students will keep an Interactive Notebook as well as complete one project per semester. Students will also complete wrap around Milestone vocabulary assignments.

Grading System: Year-Long Grading System

Semester Work 80%

- Unit Tests/Projects 50%
- Classwork/Homework 40%
- Midterm Exam (First Semester) 10%

Final Exam/US History Milestone 20%

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Make-up Policy:

You are responsible for finding out what you missed and making up the work,

1. You have as many days as you are out from the day you return to make up work.
2. If you missed a test, please make arrangements ASAP to make that up.

Student Expectations

Classroom Rules and Discipline Procedures: All students must adhere to the rules and expectations outlined in the Henry County Schools student handbook and the Union Grove High School student handbook addendum.

- Be Respectful of everyone and all property in the classroom
- Be Responsible for your actions

Be on time and prepared for class ***On Time Policy:*** In order to be considered “on time” to class, the student must be across the threshold of the classroom or designated classroom area by end of the last bell.

- Adhere to all rules and regulations in the handbook
- All assignments are expected to exhibit your best work and be turned in on time.
- Food and drink, except water, are not allowed in my classroom.
- Students will use computers/ technology appropriately at all times.
- Cheating is unacceptable and will result in a zero. Unexcused absences result in a zero as well.

Discipline Measures

Four-step plan will be used in this class for any discipline measures including tardies. This plan is used by Union Grove High School as a progressive discipline action to avoid student referrals prematurely. If the student’s action is severe enough the teacher reserves the right to skip steps 1-3 and refer the student to the Assistance Principals office for discipline actions

Cell Phone/Electronic Device Policy: The cell phone/electronic device policy begins when students enter the designated classroom area. All students will place their cell phone/device in the teacher assigned caddy. During this time, the cell phone must be on silent mode. Additionally, all smart watches or other electronic devices connected to the phone must also be caddied until the end of class. The cell phone/device will remain caddied until the end of class. Students will NOT be allowed to take their phone/device out of the room when they have a hall pass to the restroom, media center, etc. Students will be allowed to use cell phones/devices before first period, during lunch and during class transition.

Unit Repair Policy:

In an effort to aid in student mastery, each UGHS student will have the opportunity to participate in Unit Repair if he/she makes a 69 or lower on a unit assessment (as defined by the teacher). There will be 3 Unit Repair opportunities per semester for US History, the student must communicate with the teacher to receive instructions within two school days of receiving the graded assessment. Students will be required to complete coursework and/or before/afterschool tutoring as defined by the teacher to show a greater understanding of the material to reassess. The student has 2 weeks from the date the graded test is returned to complete the practice work and take the reassessment. *Students will receive an average score of the first and second assessment for their final assessment grade if the reassessment grade is higher.*

Extra Help: I am here to help you. If you need tutoring, please make arrangements with me for mornings or afternoon tutoring. It will begin at 7:30 or 3:30 pm and are by appointment.

EMAIL: aokrutny@henry.k12.ga.us or lori.goolsby@henry.k12.ga.us

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I have read and understand all of the objectives, requirements, and expectations for US HISTORY taught by Mrs. Okrutny and Mrs. Goolsby.

Student Name (please print) _____

Student signature

Date

Parent signature

Date