

Objective:

World History is a full one-year course, state-mandated for graduation. It will provide the student with knowledge of the earliest civilizations of Africa, near and far East, Europe, and the Americas. The student will be exposed to a multi-cultural development of art, religion, science, literature, philosophy, democracy, and the impact of the individual on various societies of the world.

Proficiencies:

During and after completing this course, students will know the following:

- Change in society is inevitable.
- Societies borrow from each other and build upon one another.
- Humanity has a need for both freedom and order.
- Mankind has the ability to both build and destroy.
- Man is creative and expresses his/her creativity through the art forms of various cultures.
- The twenty-first century civilization is an end product of thousands of years of civilization.
- Mankind is composed of individuals, each of whom is unique and valuable.
- Within the society structure, each person has rights and responsibilities.
- The equality of human life is improved as levels of information knowledge, technology, and applied science are increased.
- Mankind is curious about the value of the universe and satisfied their curiosity through religion, philosophy, and science.

Required Supplies:

To ensure that you are able to succeed in this class, you are REQUIRED to have the following items in class each day:

- Required Textbook:
 - World History: Patterns of Interaction by Roger B. Beck, Linda Black, Larry S. Krieger, Phillip C. Naylor, Dahia Ibo Shabaka
- 1" or 1 ½ " Three Ring Binder
 - Filler Paper
 - Folder Pockets

The folder pockets will be used to hold quizzes, tests, handouts, journals, and any other completed assignments to use when studying for tests and/or exams.

- Pencil and /or Pen

Assessments:

To provide students the ability to excel in World History, varying forms of assessments will be used to check student learning. Some forms of assessments used in this class will include, but not limited to:

Homework Assignments
Quizzes
Tests
Midterm & Final Exams
Projects

Research Papers
Journal Questions
Questions of the Day
Varying Handouts
Blogging

Classroom Rules:

Come to class on time. Standing outside the door and rushing in after the bell has begun to ring will constitute a tardy. You must be INSIDE the door when it begins ringing to be counted on time. Long Branch High School has developed a series of consequences for being late to class. Below are the consequences you will face for being late to World History:

1st Offense	Warning
2nd Offense	Detention
3rd Offense	Detention, Phone Call Home, and possibly referral

Bring required materials every day unless you are otherwise directed. This includes your text, binder, pen or pencil, or any other material I have asked you to bring in for the day. If you do not have the items needed for class, (your assigned text, binder, and pen or pencil) it will reflect on your Preparedness/Participation grade.

Begin the start up activity immediately. Directions will be on the projection screen or the board. Please do not wait for me to remind you to begin since I need to take roll and attend to other duties for the first few minutes of the period. When I begin class, directions for the start up may be taken down, so don't delay. This is the Do Now or Journal.

Homework is to be handed in at the start of class. Homework is assigned daily along with specific due dates and is the responsibility of the student to hand in homework on time.

Late assignments will be marked LATE at the top of the page. All late assignments will be reduced 10 points each day it is late. Homework has a maximum grade of 100 points, unless otherwise noted. Each day an assignment is late will reduce the max a student can earn by 10 point, not including any incorrect answers. Although homework will be accepted late, there is still a cut-off date for that homework to be submitted. Homework must be handed in prior to that marking period cut-off date to receive credit.

Student Absences and Assignments. It is the student's responsibility to get work that was missed due to absences. All homework must be completed within 3 days of an absence, and if it is not handed in within 3 days, the work will be assessed according to the late assignment standard mentioned above.

Remain in your assigned seat unless you have permission to get up. Throw any garbage or scraps away at the end of the period on your way out.

Do not eat candy or other food in class unless you have been given permission. School sponsored sales will be permitted during the last 5 minutes of class IF we are finished with the lesson and permission is granted. Be sure to ask first.

One person at a time leaves the room with the bathroom pass. You may not leave the room during the first and last 10 minutes of class. You must also sign in and out. The book is located next to the door. There is no exception to this rule.

Talk only when permitted. Be aware of the situation since quiet talking is allowed in some situations and speaking to the entire group without raising your hand may be allowed in others. I will remind you once and expect compliance. In any other instances, your hand must be raised to ask or answer a question.

Use polite speech and body language. Unkind teasing and impolite behavior is unacceptable and WILL NOT be tolerated. I wish you to show respect to both your fellow classmates and myself.

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Do not cheat. Students caught cheating will receive a zero and a phone call home. Both the student who shares his work for an independent assignment AND the person who copies it will suffer the same consequences. I expect you to do your own work and to be sure no one can copy it.

Do not vandalize school property. Do not write on or carve on any desk or any other property on school grounds and do not write in your text. The student will pay for any damage caused by a student to school property. Long Branch High School is a new building and we would like to keep it that way.

No mobile phones and/or other electronic devices in class. Once at school all phones and other electronic devices (Ipod, portable gaming systems, walkman) should be turned off and out of sight. If a student is caught using any of the above items, consequences are as followed:

1st Offense	Remind.
2nd Offense	Referral issued.
3rd Offense	Removed from classroom.

Grading:

70%	Summative
30%	Formative

Grading Scale:

A	B	C	D	F
92-100%	91-84%	83-77%	76-70%	69 and Below

If for some reason these rules are unable to maintain a healthy learning environment, these rules can and will be changed. If a student continually violates these rules, further actions will be needed to improve the disruptive behavior of that student. It is my objective to handle most disruptive situations in-class, but if I must, I will seek help from parents, guidance counselors, and administrators.

Teacher Availability

Let's work together to make this class a worthwhile and productive learning experience! It is my desire to see every student succeed. If a student needs to speak with me for ANY reason, please come by after school. Should you need to contact me please do so by the following:

Email: asmiga@longbranch.k12.nj.us

Phone: 732-229-7300

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Back to School Night	9/26/13 – 6-8 PM
Marking period 1 ends	11/13/13
Conferences	11/21/13
Mid-term exams	1/23-1/29/14
Marking period 2 ends	1/30/14
Conferences	2/27/14
Marking period 3 ends	4/7/14
Final exams	6/16-6/20/14
Last day of school	6/20/14

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