

World History Syllabus
Mr. Potter 2016-17
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I. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Social Science Requirements:

- Three years of study are required in history or in any of the social sciences, e.g., anthropology, contemporary world problems, economics, geography, government, political science, psychology, and sociology. Credit awarded for student government, leadership, community service or other applied or activity courses **will not** satisfy this requirement.

Freshman Year:

- World History Spring Semester for .5 credit.
- **Content:** The semester is based upon a study of World History, addressing such topics as politics, ideas, economics, culture, religion, science, technology, and societies.
- **Course Style:** Lecture, discussion, reading, video, chapter quizzes, unit and final examinations.

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- Student examines and understands major ideas, eras, themes, developments, turning points, chronology, and cause-effect relationships in world history.
- Student understands the origin and impact of ideas and technological developments on history.

III. COURSE MATERIALS:

- All students will be expected to come to class prepared. Materials that are needed on a daily basis include: pen/pencil, paper, and textbook. The textbook is titled: **World History: The Modern Era**. Numerous videos, worksheets, and other supplementary materials will also be used throughout the semester.

IV. GRADING:

- Grade percentages will be made up by the following:
Homework/classwork
Participation
Unit Exams
Final Exam

Grade Scale:

A = 94-100%	B+ = 87-89%	C+ = 77-79%	D+ = 67-69%
A- = 90-93%	B = 84-86%	C = 74-76%	D = 60-66%
	B- = 80-83%	C- = 70-73%	F = 0-59%

V. ATTENDANCE:

- Attendance is mandatory. Work missed may be made up **ONLY** if the absence is excused by the Attendance Office. Student may have the number of days to turn in assignment equal to the days missed (if excused). Student may make up missed attendance points for excused absences only. Attendance will follow school district policy. Students reaching 12 absences (excused or unexcused) could lose credit for the course. **Refer to RCW 28A.600.030**

VI. BEHAVIORAL EXPECTATIONS/CONSEQUENCES:

- No talking during instruction. Asking appropriate questions about the material being covered is encouraged. As classes can be quite large, the raising of hands becomes necessary. Peer harassment (including verbal, gestures, or physical) **will not** be tolerated. No profanity is allowed in this classroom. Food and beverages (except water) **will not** be allowed in class.
- Disruptive behavior will result in the following steps:
 1. Verbal warning
 2. One on one discussion
 3. Office referral
 4. Parent conference
 5. Removal from class

VII. COURSE OUTLINE:

Unit 1: Early Modern Times (1300-1800)

- Chapter 1 The Renaissance & Reformation 1300-1650
- Chapter 2 Europe, Africa, and Asia 1415-1796
- Chapter 3 Europe & The Americas 1492-1750
- Chapter 4 Age of Absolutism 1550-1800
- **Unit Exam (Unit 1 chapter homework will be due at the end of the Unit of study)**

Unit 2: Enlightenment and Revolution (1700-1850)

- Chapter 5 The Enlightenment/Revolution 1700-1800
- Chapter 6 The French Revolution 1789-1815
- Chapter 7 The Industrial Revolution 1750-1850
- Chapter 8 Revolutions in the Americas 1790-1848
- **Unit Exam (Unit 2 chapter homework will be due at the end of the Unit of study)**

Unit 3: Industrialization and a New Global Age (1800-1914)

- Chapter 9 Life if the Industrial Age 1800-1914
- Chapter 10 Nationalism in Europe 1800-1914
- Chapter 11 Western Democracies 1815-1914
- Chapter 12 New Imperialism 1800-1914
- Chapter 13 New Global Patterns 1800-1914
- **Unit Exam (Unit 3 chapter homework will be due at the end of the Unit of study)**

Unit 4: World Wars and Revolutions (1910-1955)

- Chapter 14 WWI & Russian Revolution 1914-1924
- Chapter 15 Nationalism Around the World 1910-1939
- Chapter 16 Rise of Totalitarianism 1919-1939
- Chapter 17 WWII and its Aftermath 1931-1955
- **Unit Exam (Unit 4 chapter homework will be due at the end of the Unit of study)**

Unit 5: The World Since 1945 (1945-Present)

- Chapter 18 The Cold War 1945-1991
- Chapter 19 New Nations Emerge 1945-Present
- Chapter 20 Regional Conflict 1945-Present
- **Unit Exam (Unit 5 chapter homework will be due at the end of the Unit of study)**

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- **REVIEW FOR FINAL**
 - **FINALS**

* Students **do not** turn anything in until the day the homework is due. Student will be responsible for all work assigned until turned in.

****Schedule is subject to change as needed**

After reading the class syllabus, please sign below and return this portion ASAP!

Print Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Email Address: _____

Parent Home Phone #: _____

Parent Work Phone #: _____

*If you have any questions, please view web page or contact me via email. Assignments and lectures materials will all be available online at my web site.

Sincerely,

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