**US History 2020-2021**

**Distance Learning Course Syllabus**

**Instructor Information**

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**Course Information**

This year in U.S. History, our focus will be on covering The American Revolution and New Nation, Nation Building and Sectionalism, Civil War and Reconstruction, the Emergence of Modern America, The Roaring 20’s and the Great Depression, WWII, Post War United States, and the Contemporary United States.

**Textbook & Course Materials**

Online resources will be used in a virtual classroom.  The district textbook will be provided for in person learning only at this time.  Students will need to have access to Google Classroom for posted assignments, videos, and Google Meets.

**Course Structure/Expectations**

1. **To the best of your ability, students will be expected to participate in class during their regular scheduled time (class period).**
2. **To the best of your ability, students will be expected to complete assignments within a 24-48 hour time frame, or until the class meets again for the majority of assignments.**
3. **Students will be expected to act in a respectful manner involving both the teacher and their peers.**
4. **If a student needs help, it is their responsibility to reach out to their teacher/peers for help during office hours or class time.**

**Attendance**

1. **Attendance will be based on engagement.**
2. **If a student is not present and does not complete an assignment for a class hour, they are counted as absent.**

**How to Access our Course and Get Started:**

* Navigate to Google Classroom
* Login with your CUSD GSE email address
* Select your United States History Course
  + If you do not have access to this course, please email me and we will get it taken care of.
  + All assignments and materials can be found under the Classwork tab.  Feedback on assignments will be provided, please check in Google Classroom-View your Work.
  + Grading will be done in Infinite Campus, check your scores there.

**Grading Policy**

Although we are not in class physically, the virtual classroom is still a place of high expectations and rigor. It is expected that students complete their work with effort and quality, as well as attend virtual class sessions; failure to complete assignments assigned during distance learning will negatively impact the student’s grade. Students will have 24-48 hours to complete assignments.

90-100%= A

80-89%= B

70-79%= C

60-69%= D

59% and below= F

Grades are also calculated in a semester format.  For each semester your grades are weighted 40% for your Quarter 1/3 grade, 40% for your Quarter 3/4 grade, and 20% for the semester exam given in Quarters 2 and 4.

**Netiquette Guidelines:**

Netiquette is a set of rules for behaving properly online. Your instructor and fellow students wish to foster a safe online learning environment. All opinions and experiences, no matter how different or controversial they may be perceived, must be respected in the tolerant spirit of academic discourse. You are encouraged to comment, question, or critique an idea but you are not to attack an individual. Working as a community of learners, we can build a polite and respectful course community. The following netiquette tips will enhance the learning experience for everyone in the course:

● Do not dominate any discussion.

● Give other students the opportunity to join in the discussion.

● Do not use offensive language. Present ideas appropriately.

● Be cautious in using Internet language. For example, do not capitalize all letters since this suggests shouting.

● Popular emoticons such as ☺ or / can be helpful to convey your tone but do not overdo or overuse them.

● Never make fun of someone’s ability to read or write.

● Share tips with other students.

● Think and edit before you push the “Send” button.

● Do not hesitate to ask for feedback.