



# American History

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## WHAT WE WILL LEARN



The course is designed to cover important events that have shaped the United States from European Exploration to 1877. You will be viewing and interpreting periods in United States history from various perspectives, including historical, geographical, political, economic, and cultural. Together, these perspectives can help you to understand how the past has led to our present and to appreciate your role in shaping our future.

**PAST DUE**

## LATE AND MAKEUP WORK

The instructor reserves the right to deal with specific late work and make-up work issues on a case by case basis. The general rules that will apply are as follows:

- If you are **absent**, it is **YOUR** (the student) responsibility to get the work & notes you missed from myself and/or a classmate. Also, check Google Classroom.
- **Late Work** - Just don't have it. Do your part so that everything is turned in on time.
- However, turning in work late is better than simply not doing it. Late assignments may receive partial credit.

## VIDEOS



We will watch multiple historically based videos & clips (school appropriate) to foster understanding and further class discussions.



## HOW TO STAY CONNECTED

- Check Google Classroom for assignments and any related information..
- You can also email me with questions.
- Grades will be updated as soon as possible in Aeries. Be advised that **AERIES** is the place I record grades. Do **Not** rely on Google Classroom.

## EXPECTATIONS

**Be on Time** - in your seat when the bell rings!

**Be Prepared** - bring all necessary materials to class everyday!

**Be Attentive** - participate daily!

**Be Respectful** - use positive language and avoid defacing the desks and other classroom items/materials!

**Be Successful** - work hard!

**Be Your Best You!**

## GRADING

Summative - 60%  
Formative - 30%  
Skills Practice - 10%

## NECESSARY MATERIALS

- Composition Notebook
- Pens, pencils, and highlighters
- Tape or Glue
- Chromebook
- Colored Pencils



## OFFICE HOURS:

I am available before school, during lunch and after school. You need to make arrangements with me especially if it is before or after school.

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## ASSIGNMENTS



In history, the goal is to have minimal nightly homework. Most of what we do will be completed in class; however, there may be times that this is not possible. If there are no assignments due the following day, you should read or work on a project with an upcoming deadline. **(Waiting to the last minute to complete a project or assignment will more than likely result in excessive homework time.)**

## ACADEMIC HONESTY (CHEATING/PLAGIARISM)

Just don't do it. If it is discovered that you used someone else's work or AI as your own, you will earn an automatic zero for that assignment, no matter how small it may be.

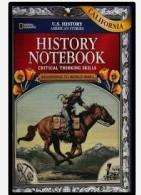
## NEED EXTRA HELP?

If you need additional help, I am available before school, during lunch and/or after school. Please make arrangements at least 24 hours in advance, especially if it is before or after school.

**I LOOK FORWARD TO A WONDERFUL  
SCHOOL YEAR!**

## TEXTBOOK

National Geographic U.S.  
History American Stories  
California Edition



**Standards** can be found in  
the textbook or online at  
[https://www.cde.ca.gov/be/st/ss/  
documents/histsocscistnd.pdf](https://www.cde.ca.gov/be/st/ss/documents/histsocscistnd.pdf)

## QUESTIONS

If you or your parents have any questions regarding assignments or expectations, I am available for clarification. Email or call, and I will respond as soon as I can. Please be patient as I may need to gather information before returning messages or may have previously scheduled meetings that prevent me from responding the same day.

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