

United States History

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This course covers United States History from the Civil War and Reconstruction to the present. We will be following all of the twists and turns that took place as this land became a nation. We will also study the people and the trials and tribulations that they endured throughout history. I am very excited about this course and will do my best to help every student succeed.

We will be using the text The Americans; Reconstruction to the 21st Century throughout the year.

It's All About Manners

I expect you to

Respect others

Be prepared

Be engaged

Be honest

Be positive

You can expect me to

Discuss your performance and grade as often as needed.

Be willing to work with you if you are struggling and do my best to ensure your success.

Communicate openly and honestly.

Explain concepts and ideas as thoroughly as possible.

Adapt and adjust when necessary.

The Big Breakdown

Grades are weighted as follows: 50% for assignments, 40% for tests and quizzes, and 10% for class participation. The grade scale is as follows:

A	93-100	B	82-84	C	69-73	D	54-58
A-	89-92	B-	79-81	C-	64-68	D-	59-53
B+	85-88	C+	74-78	D+	59-63	F	52-0

Student's grades are available for review through the Nebo School District website. Periodic progress reports will also be provided.

Preparation

1. You will need to have a three ring binder dedicated to just this class. We will be taking quite a few notes along with periodic quizzes that will be turned in weekly. Please make sure you bring lined paper to class every day.
2. We will be creating many map and poster projects. I have plenty of colored pencil for students to use, however if you prefer to use your own you are more than welcome to bring them. This is not required.

3. You must bring a pen or pencil. Please do not use gel pens in colors that are hard to read.

But I Was Sick!

Please try to keep absences to a minimum. We will be doing a lot of lecture and discussions that are hard to make up. If you are absent you will need to contact another student in the class to find out what was missed and get any notes. It is your responsibility to find out what was missed. You will have 3 days after you return to school to turn in any makeup work. If you know you will be absent, meet with me beforehand and we will keep you up to date.

Late Work

All students are expected to complete the assignments on time. It is hard to catch up once you fall behind. I will be giving plenty of time to work on assignments in class. However, if work is not finished in class it does become homework. If you are not prepared with the assigned work you will need to fill out a late assignment form. Late work will be accepted 5 days after the assignment is due but will only be worth 75%. If you foresee a late assignment, please meet with me.

Extra Credit

Occasionally opportunities for extra credit will be given. However, extra credit can only be earned if all assignments are turned in. This does not replace an assignment but can help raise a grade.

Welcome! I am very excited to be teaching U.S. History. It is definitely one of my passions and I hope that it will be one of yours by the end of the school year. Parents and Students, please do not hesitate to contact me or come to see me with concerns or questions. I promise to do my best to accommodate you. I can be reached by phone at 801.489.2870 or by email at mandi.wilson@nebo.edu. I am also available for conferences before or after school.

