



Reynolds High School  
Syllabus - US History 2023-2024

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Room Number: 633

**Class Materials:** Bring everyday

- Chromebook and charger- **Required**
- Notebook- **Required**
- Binder/folders- **Recommended**

**Course Description:**

The purpose of this course is to explore the history of the United States from the late 19<sup>th</sup> century to the present. Students will be learning about major national events, the various people and ideas that shaped such events, and how these events directly impact our country today.

Education is power, and I am here to support your empowerment. However, **remember that your physical and mental health is of highest priority.** If you are struggling in the class for any reason, please contact me immediately.

**Course Requirements:**

**Assignments:** Students should expect to read, write, and discuss with each other regularly in this class. This could take the form of warm-ups, quick writes, essays, worksheets, or notes from lectures, primary sources, textbooks, or other texts. Class and group discussions will also be heavily emphasized this year.

**Assessments:** Throughout the year, students will complete projects. These can take the form of presentations, artwork, essays, video creations, websites, fliers, posters etc. Tests and quizzes will also be a major component of the course and will most often be delivered through Schoology.

**Grading Policy Description:**

<b>POWER</b>	10%	General work that requires participation; 1, 2, 3 Checks
<b>Classwork</b>	40%	Classroom-based assignments and work; formative assignments.
<b>Mastery</b>	50%	Tests and Major Projects, Essays, Presentations, Speeches, etc.

**Late Work/Retake Policy:**

All work can be improved and turned in for a grade up to a B- (80%) during a unit and up to one week after the end of a unit. After that, late and make-up work will not be accepted.

Test make-ups or retakes will be accepted up to one week after the original test date. Contact me directly if you would like to retake a quiz or test.

*If an extenuating circumstance arises, late work and test dates will be determined on a*

*case-by-case basis. All official grades will be posted on StudentVue/ParentVue.*

**Course Schedule:**

<b>September</b>	Columbus, Tribal Histories
<b>October</b>	Manifest Destiny, Reconstruction
<b>November</b>	Jim Crow South
<b>December</b>	Gilded Age and Immigration
<b>January</b>	Progressive Era and Foreign Policy
<b>February</b>	World War I
<b>March</b>	Roaring 1920s
<b>April</b>	Great Depression and World War II
<b>May</b>	The Cold War, Red Scare and Civil Rights
<b>June</b>	The Vietnam War

**Class Expectations & Student Rights:**

<u>Students expectations include:</u>	<u>Student rights include:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Be willing to participate</li><li>• Treat all with respect</li><li>• Use appropriate language</li><li>• Use classroom space safely and respectfully</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To be treated with respect</li><li>• To be able to make mistakes</li><li>• To be comfortable in the classroom space</li><li>• To express opinions respectfully</li></ul>

Having compassion and common sense will help us all grow as respectable human beings.

**Other:**

- Food and drink are minimally allowed. If food ever becomes a distraction or a mess, it will be banned.
- No phones during instruction and work time (unless otherwise indicated)
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- Please ask questions. I have many questions myself and we are all learning together this year.

