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MODERN WORLD HISTORY

Class Description

Students in grade ten study major turning points that shaped the modern world, from the late eighteenth century through the present, including the cause and course of the two world wars. They trace the rise of democratic ideas and develop an understanding of the historical roots of current world issues, especially as they pertain to international relations. They extrapolate from the American experience that democratic ideals are often achieved at a high price, remain vulnerable, and are not practiced everywhere in the world. Students develop an understanding of current world issues and relate them to their historic, geographic, political, economic, and cultural contexts. Students consider multiple accounts of events in order to understand international relations from a variety of perspectives.

Units Included in this course:

Development of Democracy

Revolutions: American to European 1776-1848

Industrial Revolution

Imperialism 19th century

Nationalism and WWI

Totalitarianism, Genocide and WWII

Cold War

Post WWII Struggles for Democracy

Class Rules

- ❖ Everyone will enter the class with an open mind; open to new ideas, different opinions and new information.
- ❖ Everyone, including the teacher, will be treated with respect. Put-downs or purposely hurtful comments or actions will not be tolerated.
- ❖ No one will be allowed to disrupt the learning process of others.
- ❖ Cell phones should not be out on desks and are not appropriate to be using in class unless permitted by teacher for an activity.
 - If you have your cell phone out and it is not the appropriate time (as identified by the teacher), it will be confiscated. There are **NO EXCEPTIONS** to this rule.
 - First offense: phone taken by teacher
 - Second offense: "STAR Form" filled out by student
 - Third offense: student gives teacher phone at beginning of every period
- ❖ Food and drinks are permitted in class as long as all messes are cleaned up on your own. If I need to clean up after you, **this privilege will be removed for the class.**

Requirements

- ❖ For each class period you will need lined paper and something to write with. You will not need your textbook each day, but will be told in advance if it is needed for class. Homework assignments will be available on Blackboard, however, extra copies will be

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made of all materials for students who do not have access to a computer and/or printer.

Homework

Homework completion is critical to understanding course work and success in the class for this reason the homework policy is as follows:

- ❖ No Late Work!
- ❖ Homework will be collected daily and is considered late if it is not turned in at the very beginning of the class period.

Absences/Make-up Work

- ❖ If you are absent, your homework will only be accepted if your absence is **EXCUSED** with the attendance office. All absences must be excused within 48 hours, or work will not be accepted.
- ❖ If you are absent, your homework is due 2 days after your return. When absent, student must retrieve missed work from blackboard or teacher. **Absent Monday, get work and turn in by Thursday.**
- ❖ The agenda and homework assignments will be posted on blackboard daily and in class daily.
- ❖ Due dates are firm for major assignments. If you are absent, send the major assignment with a friend or via email. It is highly recommended that you exchange contact information with a classmate today. Call them for missed work and/or check blackboard.
- ❖ Oral presentations missed due to an absence will be substituted with a 3-5 page, typed paper on the same subject. These will be due the day you return to class.
- ❖ Missed tests, quizzes, and or other classwork must be made up within **two days** of your return. **Student must make arrangements with the teacher to complete make-up quizzes and tests during Homeroom, lunch or afterschool.**
- ❖ **If you are absent, you will need to put to write "absent" at the top of your paper and the date in which you were absent next to it. If you do not do this when you turn your absent work into the absent bin, you will not receive credit.**

Peer Contact (optional)

Name	Phone Number	Email

Tardy Policy

- ❖ You are tardy if you are not in class when the bell rings.

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- ❖ I will not accept your homework if you are tardy.

Academic Honesty

- ❖ Cheating will not be tolerated. Any work in violation of the SDUHSD Academic Honesty Policy will, *at a minimum*, result in a zero (“0”) for the assignment and a referral to the assistant principal’s office. Please do not test me on this policy.

Movie Permission

- ❖ Students will be watching a variety of clips from films and documentaries that will help students to better understand course themes and concepts. If you object to your son or daughter watching certain “R” rated clips or films, please contact me and I will assign your son or daughter an alternate assignment.

(cut off and return to teacher)

I have read and understand the above rules, regulations, and requirements.

Student Name (Printed)

Student SIGNATURE

Parent Guardian SIGNATURE

Parent email/phone number