

World History

Course Syllabus

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D-260

Course Overview:

We will be covering world history from 8000 BC until present day! Since there is so much to cover, we are going to focus on the study of significant people, events, and issues of these time periods and apply the appropriate skills and concepts. (TEKS, Social Studies)

Course Requirements and Grading:

Successful completion of this course requires: classroom participation, attendance, completion of assignments and projects, as well as the results of the exams.

Nine Weeks Grade:

Classwork.....	25%
Quizzes & Tests.....	30%
Nine Weeks Exam.....	10%
Homework.....	25%
Binder.....	10%

Required Daily Materials:

- 1) Pencil and pen (black or blue ink ONLY!)
- 2) Charged laptop (make sure you bring your charger every day just in case)
- 3) 1 ½" Binder with loose-leaf paper, college-ruled
- 4) One-subject spiral notebook
- 5) 1 pkg of 5 notebook dividers
- 6) One box of Kleenex
- 7) 1 box of 12 count colored pencils

Absences, make-up, and late work:

Absences: A student who is absent must ask for any missed assignments before school, after school, during lunch, or through email, **not** during class time! In the case of a school related activity, when the student knows they will be out, all assignments should be picked up **beforehand** (you can get this assignment in person, email, or other specific technology source that will be explained) and will be due the next day.

Late Work: Late work must be submitted within a reasonable amount of time. For this course this is considered to be no more than a week late. All assignments are due at the beginning of the period of the assigned due date and should be placed in the appropriate box labeled with your class period. Late work will lose 11 points for every day that it is late (to include weekends), meaning that if you turn in an assignment in the next class period it will be 22 points off. **Any work not turned in at the beginning of class will be considered late and 11 points will be deducted.** Exceptions will be made in instructor-approved situations only. Students who missed the day that homework is due will need to turn in their homework on the day they return to school. After one week no late work will be accepted.

Make-Up Work: Make-up work is the responsibility of the student. The student must pick up make-up work when they return to class or before class if it was a pre-arranged absence. The students have one class day for every day absent to turn in the make-up work. Make-up work must be requested within a reasonable amount of time. For this course this is considered to be within a week of returning to class. If you are requesting to make up a failed or not turned in assignment, you must see the instructor for an alternate assignment and come in to tutoring. You have one week from the failing grade in the gradebook to make up that failing grade with the alternate assignment. EPISD policy will be followed.

****Note:** All deadlines are to be taken seriously. If for any reason you feel that you are unable to meet a specific deadline it is the **student's responsibility** to let the teacher know about any issues that may arise.

Electronic Devices

Electronic devices are not permitted in this class for entertainment purposes. Any and **all** technology (cell phones, iPad, laptops, etc.) can **only** be used when given permission. Upon entering class, your cellphone should be in silent or in airplane mode, do not just put on vibrate! Do not ask if you can answer a phone call, text your parents, etc. Your guardians know where you are and will contact the school office if there is an emergency.

Please do not ask to charge your phone in the classroom.

If a student is caught using a cell phone, iPod or any other electronic device for any purpose other than the ones stated above, the device will be confiscated and turned into the Business Office. The student will pay a \$15.00 fee to get their device back.

Class Rules:

- 1. Be on time! (If you are tardy, sign the tardy log that is posted as you enter the room)**
Every student is expected to arrive to class on time and be prepared to learn. A student is considered tardy if he/she is not inside the classroom when the bell rings. Chapin High School's progressive tardy policy is as follows:
3rd Tardy per class: Detention with the teacher from 4:00-4:30
6th Tardy per class: ISS
9th Tardy per class: OSS
12th Tardy per class: AEP
Students have 24 hours to serve detention. It is the student's responsibility to report to detention on the assigned date and time. Parents will be notified by the teacher when the student has been assigned detention. Failure to serve detention will result in a one-hour detention slip, failure to serve one-hour detention results in a Discipline Referral from Administration." (Chapin High School Student Code of Conduct)
- 2. Be prepared with materials before the tardy bell rings!**
- 3. Be respectful of your environment: your teacher, classmates, other people's belongings, and your classroom!**
- 4. No plagiarism or cheating will be tolerated!**
Plagiarizing/cheating constitutes as the following but not limited to: glancing or taking another person's paper with or without consent, sending classmates answers through pictures taken on the phone or sent through email, taking turned in papers from the

assignment box, etc. Anyone guilty of plagiarizing/cheating will receive the grade of a “0” on the assignment. **“Share the work, share the grade.”**

5. **Cell phones are to be silenced and kept in student’s backpack during class. (Unless otherwise instructed by the teacher). The student is to use the school-issued and charged laptop for class.**
 - **If a student cannot complete the classwork because of not having a laptop, he or she will be required to come in the next school day during tutoring to make up the work. Students will not be allowed to use cellphones for classwork.**
6. **To leave the class, you must have your ID and your agenda and sign out.**
7. **No food or drinks are to be consumed in the classroom. (Water bottles allowed)**
8. **Restroom: Students are not to leave the classroom the first 15 minutes or last 15 minutes of class. Students will sign out and in for restroom usage.**

What can you expect from your teacher?

Accessibility, flexibility, and respect! I am here for **YOU!** If there are any circumstances I need to know about, please do not hesitate to tell me. I can be available after school for tutoring or re-teaching difficult concepts. It works better if you let me know when you would like to come in just to ensure that I will be in my classroom. Again, if any issues come about throughout the year, let me know and we will work through it!

What I expect from my student:

- To assume responsibility for his/her behavior in class.
- Know and follow procedure for this class.
- Be prepared physically and mentally for every class.
- Bring all class materials every day of class.
- Be responsible for all work, including getting notes and assignments from days you are absent and submitting that work on time.
- Have a positive attitude about the course and your ability to be successful!

Tutoring:

Monday	World History	4:00-4:30
Tuesday	AP World History	4:00-4:30
Wednesday	World History	4:00-4:30 (unless meeting is scheduled)
Thursday	AP World History	4:00-4:30

****Note: This syllabus is subject to change at the discretion of the teacher.**