

American History 2

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American History 2 – Fall 2020

1 Credit

Classroom Location: G62

Prerequisite Class: Civics & Economics, World History, American History 1

Office – G62

Planning – 3rd and 4th Period

Before School / Afterschool Availability – I am available before and after school in G70, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.

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Dear Parents,

In a democracy, it is vital that citizens are well informed regarding their rights, duties, and responsibilities. In today's society, one must often advocate for his/her rights. It is also necessary to have a basic knowledge of the history of the United States in order to understand many of the confusing and often troubling events of the world. *American History 2* should help prepare your student to live in that world.

Students in *American History 2* must be an active participant in the learning process. Students who are most successful have one thing in common...they take responsibility for their own learning.

American History 2 can be an exciting field of study and I look forward to beginning this journey with your student.

Purpose of the Course - American History 2 / 1 credit

The essential standards of American History 2 have been designed to provide a framework for studying political, social, economic, and cultural issues, and for analyzing the impact these issues have had on American society over time. Students will continue to build upon previous studies of American History, the fundamental concepts in civics and government, economics, culture and geography taught in grades kindergarten through eight and use skills of historical analysis as they examine American history. This course goes beyond memorization of isolated facts to the development of higher level thinking skills, encouraging students to make historical assessments and evaluations. The use of expanded thinking skills is emphasized.

Grading –

The following grading scale will be used:

A = 90 – 100

Tests – 25%

B = 80 – 89

Classwork – 20%

C = 70 – 79

Participation – 30%

D = 60 – 69

Projects – 15%

F = 59 and below.

Quiz - 10%

Tests will be given at the end of every unit. If a student knows that he or she will be out of class on the day of a test (field trip, band concert, etc.) the student is responsible for contacting the teacher and making arrangements to take the test **prior to the absence**.

