

# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies Course Syllabus and Policies

## Mr. Halter

### Course Description and Content Outline:

- Students will complete the second half of their chronological study of American history, beginning with the end of the Civil War to present day society.
- Throughout the course of the year, students will engage in a variety of activities to help them learn about our past.
- Unit 1 – America Transformed (Growth in the West, Industrialization, Changes in Society)
- Unit 2 – Modern America Emerges (Progressive Era, Becoming a World Power, World War I)
- Unit 3 – Depression, War, and Recovery (Roaring Twenties, Great Depression and New Deal, World War II, Cold War)
- Unit 4 – Tension at Home (Civil Rights, Vietnam, 1980's – Present)

### Expectations:

- Always get to class on time and take your seat when you enter the room
- Be prepared for class and have all your materials (agenda, writing utensils, binder with spiral notebook and blank notebook paper, and completed homework if it was assigned)
- Treat EVERYONE with respect
- Always try your best and put forth good effort

### Grades:

- It is my expectation that every student will be successful in class. In order to do that it is important that students take the time to complete each and every assignment.
- Grades will be based on the total number of points a student accumulated throughout the quarter divided by the total number of points that were available. For example, if all the assignments for the quarter were worth a total of 600 points and you earned 525 of those points, your average would be an 87%.
- Homework assignments are due at the beginning of class. Any homework assignment turned in late will result in a 50% penalty off the assignment. Please be sure to complete all homework assignments on time.
- Students who are absent are responsible to get caught up on missed work.

### Materials:

- As stated in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade supply list student will need: pens, pencils, colored pencils, 1 ½ or 2 inch three ring binder with loose leaf paper , additional single subject spiral notebook, pocket folder

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