

United States History
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Google Classroom Code: On Webpage

Lakeside High School telephone number: 706-863-0027

Room: 2058

Course Description

The high school United States History course provides students with a comprehensive, intensive study of major events and themes in United States History. Beginning with early European colonization, the course examines major events and themes throughout United States history. The course concludes with significant developments in the early 21st century.

Semester Grading Scale Breakdown

Semester Average: 80%

Semester Exam/EOC: 20%

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Per Columbia County BOE (This is subject to change)

High School Courses for Credit

- 80% of Final Grade
 - 60% Summative Assessments (may include but not limited to teachers generated unit test, major assignments, research papers...etc)
 - 40% Other Assessments (may include but not limited to quizzes, daily work, labs, etc)
- 20% Comprehensive Final Exam or Required End of Course (EOC) Assessments .

Plagiarism and AI: Copying information straight from the internet or a ChatGPT is plagiarism; no matter what kind of assignment it is done on, this includes vocabulary and handouts. All work is to be completed in your own words. Any instances of plagiarism will be handled according to the LHS and CCBOE student handbooks which could include an alternate assignment, written referral, and/or contact home.

Assignments **WILL NOT** be graded if submitted through Google Classroom and there is no name on the work. This especially goes for pics of an assignment. You will be asked to turn in the physical copy.

Cell Phone Policy: Effective July 1, 2025, students will not be permitted to use or display their personal electronic devices during the school day. All devices must be stored in a backpack or locker and must not be carried on a student's person. Additionally, all device ringers, alerts, and alarms should be turned off.

Prohibited electronic devices include, but are not limited to, the following: cellphones, tablets, headphones and earbuds, smart glasses, smart watches, or any similar personal devices.

It is TOTALLY disrespectful to have your Air Pods in while the teacher is talking or giving notes. If you are found using a phone during tests or quizzes, the grade will be a 0 (until made up) and a referral.

Tardiness: I follow the CCBOE tardy policy so please review it and follow the policy.

Late Work Policy: Missing Work and 0's are totally different circumstances. *Missing work means a student was absent and needs to turn in their work. A 0 means a student chose not to do an assignment.* All assignments will be closed for submission on the due date. If a student turns their work in after submission, their grade will begin with the lowest grade or an 80, then a 50. **No work will be taken after 5 days.** The teacher will work with students that have to make up work from being absent. There will be **AMPLE** opportunities to replace 0's throughout the semester. Those **WHO DO** complete their assignments will be rewarded at the end of the semester with an Extra Credit Test Score to improve their semester average.

Makeup: Students have until the next test day to make-up previous Unit Tests. If a student is absent for a longer period, I will most certainly work with that student to get work made up. All work can be found on my class webpage. It is your responsibility to look and see what was done on that day and speak with me about completing the assignments. Unexcused absences are like being in class and not completing work.

Course Materials: All students will have access to Google Classroom which will contain all course materials. There will be a class set of Textbooks used weekly.

Class Rules:

CPR – Cooperation, Preparation, and Respect. These 3 things will make us have a great class and a great school year.

Discipline Policy: Parents will be emailed or called if a discipline problem develops. When needed the teacher will use discipline techniques such as classroom detention, and additional assignments. If discipline is still a problem, then the administration will be notified and the student may receive school detention or ISS. (If disciplinary infraction is severe then it will be sent directly to the administration.)

A note to parents:

Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions or concerns. I have 6th Period Planning from 12:53-1:43. The quickest way to get in touch with me is via my email address. I may not answer right back, but will respond in a very timely manner. I look forward to working with you this year. Please join your child's Google Classroom. My Google Classroom will be maintained and up-to-date, and grades will be updated in Infinite Campus in a very timely manner.

School supplies required for this class:

Pens or Pencils

3 Ring Binder with Loose Leaf Paper

Supplies will be needed in class every day

STUDENT CONTRACT - Any student with a 66 or higher for the semester, and makes a 75 or higher on the EOC will pass the semester as long as the student does not have more than 2 missing assignments (including 0's). After the first 0 each 9 weeks, there are NO CONTRACTS.

Parent Signature

Student Signature
