*UNION GROVE HIGH SCHOOL*

***Course Syllabus***

**Instructor: Amanda Okrutny & Lori Goolsby Room #: 125 Year: 2020-2021**

**Course Name and Code: US History**

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***This is the best way to contact us. Please do so if you have any questions.***

**REMIND: Please join our class remind by sending a text @4k99g8 to the number 81010**

**Textbook Used:**  **HMH Social Studies: AMERICAN HISTORY**

**Supplementary Texts or Special Materials: Spiral Interactive Notebook & Spiral Vocabulary Notebook (**3 or 5 subject spiral notebook for U.S. History Notes & a 1 subject spiral or composition book for class and milestone vocabulary)

**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. Mastery of the Georgia Performance Standards will be expected of all students. Mastery is defined as achieving a minimum of 90% of the course content. Mastery of those standards should be evident with an ‘Exceeds’ score on the Georgia Milestone for US history.

**Course Outline and Content:** This course is a survey of the political, economic, social, and cultural aspects of the United States throughout its history. Consideration is given to artistic and scientific contributions as well as contemporary links to the past. The first semester will cover the periods from European exploration up to Reconstruction. The second semester begins with the Expansion and continues to the present.

**Special Assignments and Projects:** Students will keep an InterActive Notebook for class.

* Quizzes will be given at the discretion of the teacher and may either be announced or unannounced.
* Tests will be given at the end of each unit.
* Projects will be assigned per semester.
* Semester exams will be given at the end of each semester

***Classroom Rules and Discipline Procedures*:** All students must adhere to the rules and expectations outlined in the Henry County Schools student handbook and the Union Grove High School student handbook addendum.

* Be Respectful of everyone and all property in the classroom
* Be Responsible for your actions
* All assignments are expected to exhibit your best work and be turned in on time.

***Chromebook Policy:*** It is an expectation for students to have their charged Chromebook with them every day. Failure to do so will be regarded as “not being prepared for class.”

***Remote Learning:***

Students participating in remote learning are expected to actively participate in daily instruction and follow all guidance provided by HCS, UGHS, the classroom teacher, and this syllabus. This includes but is not limited to grading policies, attendance, and preparation for class. Students will join a Google Meet via Google Classroom at the start of class time for instructional guidance, notes, discussion, active participation, and instructions for the day. Students will sign into class by typing their name into the comment section when the lesson begins. This will be expected each day the class is scheduled to meet.

***Hall Pass Policy*:** Students are required to utilize and display the standard issued UGHS pass at all times while out of the classroom, failure to do so will result in disciplinary consequences. Students are also required to fill out the Google form prior to leaving the classroom and document their return time on the same form. Teachers will not give out hall passes during the first ten minutes or last ten minutes of class. It is the teacher’s discretion to allow or deny a hall pass request.

***Make-up Policy*:** You are responsible for finding out what you missed and making up the work,

1. Make-up and absences policy can be found in the student handbook.
2. Excused Absences may have one day per excused absence to complete missed work.

***Grading System:***

**This year we will be on a Semester Grading System**

* **Unit Tests/Projects 40%**
* **Classwork/Homework 40%**
* **Semester and Final Exam/US History Milestone 20%**

***Cell Phone/Electronic Device Policy:***

The cell phone/electronic device policy begins when students enter the designated classroom area. All students will place all cell phones/devices in the teacher assigned caddy. During this time, cell phones must be turned off. Additionally, all smart watches or other electronic devices connected to the phone must be caddied until the end of class. Cell phones/devices will remain caddied until the end of class. Students will NOT be allowed to take their phones/devices out of the room when they have a hall pass to the restroom, media center, etc. Students will be allowed to use cell phones/devices before first period, during lunch, and during class transition.

***On Time Policy:***

In order to be considered “on time” to class, the student must be across the threshold of the classroom or designated classroom area by the end of the tardy bell.

***Unit Repair Plan:***

In an effort to aid in student mastery, each UGHS student will have the opportunity to participate in Unit Repair. In order to receive this opportunity, the student must communicate with the teacher within two school days of receiving the graded assessment. Students will be required to complete coursework as defined by the teacher to show a greater understanding of the material to reassess. The student has 2 weeks from the date the graded assessment is returned to complete the practice work and take the reassessment.

**I have read and understand all of the objectives, requirements, and expectations for the course US HISTORY taught byMrs. Amanda Okrutny & Mrs. Lori Goolsby.**

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