

**7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade**  
**United States History**  
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I am excited to begin a new school year and look forward to teaching your child. This year, both the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades will study U.S. History. Our curriculum and text are comprehensive and will provide students with a plethora of information which will also provide us with cross-curricular activities.

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade Topics**

Pre History-World War I

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Topics**

European Colonization-World War II

**Homework/Class Work**

I usually assign homework a few times during the week. On the nights that there is no written assignment, students should review their chapter notes and reread chapter materials. When homework/class work is assigned, it is to be turned in on the assigned due date. I do require that all work be completed neatly, have correct headings, written in blue or black ink, and cursive (unless otherwise assigned). Homework is a graded assignment. In addition, school policy requires that 10 points be deducted from a student's grade if the assignment is one day late. If the assignment is not turned in at that point, a zero will be given. I am available for extra assistance if needed.

**Make-Up Work**

When a student is absent, it is the student's responsibility to communicate with me regarding any missed work. Your child and I will work out a time for missed work to be completed.

**Notebooks**

My classes will keep a notebook. The notebook is used as an attempt to help students keep materials organized and to have a complete collection of materials needed for test and exam preparation. In addition, a notebook grade will be given at the end of each nine weeks. Notebooks will be graded at the end of each nine weeks. This grade is heavily dependent upon students having all required notes, handouts, and assignments.

**Grading**

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| 80% | Tests                          |
| 20% | Homework, in-class assignments |

**Extra Reading**

Each class will have additional reading to complete along with their daily text required readings. I will give students ample notice to obtain required materials before we begin.