8th Grade United States History

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Welcome to the 2014-2015 school year! It is going to be a blast!

INTRODUCTION TO THE COURSE:

This course is designed to help students of all abilities master core American history content. We will develop habits of mind that enable students to turn information into meaning.

REQUIREMENTS AND PROJECTS:

Students can expect to complete multiple homework assignments per week. These assignments will be graded on effort and completion as these are intended as practice. However, lack of effort, as determined by the teacher, will result in a deduction or zero. Pop quizzes are possible, although rare, and will be counted as a homework assignment. Pop quizzes are only given when a non-written assignment was assigned to the students (ex: reading). Test will be given at the conclusion of each chapter or unit.

There will also be a large project at the end of the year. Details will be given in the spring.

CLASS MANAGEMENT/RULES:

Be respectful:

Show goodness to others

What’s mine is mine, what’s yours is yours

Be polite

Be honest

Be prepared:

No sleeping

Have your stuff with you (NOT IN YOUR LOCKER!)

Show an eagerness to learn

Come with a great attitude

GRADING:

Typically the students’ grades are made up of tests and projects (60%), homework, classwork, and pop-quizzes (40%).

AVAILABILITY:

My job as your teacher is to see you succeed. Always ask questions. See me after class if you need clarification on something. If you need extra help, come see me to set up a time to go over material. If you put 100% into my class, it is impossible to do poorly.

PARENT SIGNATURE: STUDENT SUGNATURE: