

World History Disclosure Statement, the Historic 2018 Edition

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students,

Welcome to World History! In Utah, all of human history is covered in one school year, so this is a fast-paced survey course focusing on major developments, change and continuity over time, and the migration of goods, peoples, and ideas worldwide.

Procedures

- Please pick up daily handouts from the basket on the front counter as you walk in the room. Papers must be picked up before the bell rings or you are tardy.
- Please do NOT ask if you can go to the bathroom. If the hall pass is available, you can leave **after signing out on the clipboard**. The hall pass can be used to go to the bathroom or to get a drink. If you fail to sign out or in, you will receive a truancy. Violations of the rule will result in suspension of hall pass privileges.

Grading:

Missed work can be made up, with a **40% loss** in points, unless the student has an excused absence, in which case work will be accepted for full credit earned for **two** class periods after the work was due.

Missed work can be found in two places: 1) in the small filing cabinet in the classroom. The top drawer will contain PowerPoints and assignments by date, and 2) on Canvas.

Missed quizzes and tests can be made up during tutorial and after school; you have **TWO CLASS PERIODS** after the missed day to take quizzes and tests.

Missing work when you know you turned it in:

1. Check the “NO NAME Basket of Shame” on the shelf by the teacher’s desk.
2. Check the “out” box for the period (bookshelf by the teacher’s desk.)
3. Check your notebook. Eight out of 10 times (not a real statistic), you didn’t turn it in.
4. Do the assignment again. It could still be worth 60%.

If you need help: ASK! The teacher, thank goodness, is not a mind reader.

Tests: If you don’t like your score, you can correct wrong answers for ½ point each (does not include true/false questions.) **Quizzes** can generally be taken again to increase the score, but **only before the test**.

Extra Credit is generally offered each term. Listen for opportunities and check my website. Students can earn up to 30 extra credit points each term.

Grading Scale:

A 95%	B- 83%	D+ 69%
A- 92%	C+ 80%	D 65%
B+ 89%	C 77%	D- 60%
B 86%	C- 74%	F 50-0%

Citizenship:

I follow Northridge High School's citizenship policy on citizenship. More than three tardies, excessive absences, unacceptable behavior, and disrespect of other students in the classroom will result in a U citizenship grade. The F-bomb, sexist and racist statements, and comments intended to offend others will NOT be tolerated in class. Be civil/suave/sophisticated/adult and just don't go there.

Textbook and Supplements:

We will be using the textbook World History: Patterns of Interaction, Holt- McDougal, by Black et al. We only have a classroom set; however, the textbook is available online. On the Northridge High or Davis School District website, type "online textbook" into the search box. Click on the link "Social Studies – Secondary / Online Textbooks." Click on the "Holt..." link. Click on "World History." Students can log on using their regular school username and password. There are two weird things about the site: you have to click enter after telling it where to go, and it will periodically log you out.

Other materials will be provided in class in the form of articles, PowerPoints, and primary sources. Those sources will be given in class, stored in the make-up work filing cabinet and available through my website as needed.

Movies:

I use movies or clips occasionally. I am an err-on-the-side-of-caution teacher and will pre-screen all movies. I also provide a link on my website so that parents can pre-screen shows. If you choose to have your child abstain from movies, please let me know and alternative work will be provided in the hallway or library. I use "Crash Course World History" by John Green, "All Quiet of the Western Front" and "Animal Farm."

Rules:

Cell phone use: never **never** never NEVER when there's a discussion, lecture or group activity going on. Beware: I take phones. Confiscated phones may be picked up after class (first offense), after school (second offense), or from the office (third offense.) No one likes to be ignored and that includes me. Phones and other electronic devices may be used during individual work time for research and to listen to music. Bring headphones.

Food and drink: No. Water only.

Other rules: You know what appropriate behavior is. Do it. Enough said.

Please return ONLY THIS PAGE. Keep the rest of the disclosure form for your records.

Yes, I read the World History disclosure form from Mrs. Ahlstrom and I am aware of the missing work, grading and citizenship, and electronic devices policies. I know where to find the textbook and missing work. I know I can email Mrs. Ahlstrom at BAhlstrom@dmail.net if I have any concerns.

Student name (please print) _____

Student signature _____

Class period _____

Parent Signature _____

Dear Parent(s),

Do you have any other concerns? Is there anything you would like me to know about your student? Please comment below.

Thank you!

Beverly Ahlstrom