#### WORLD STUDIES R.E.A.D.Y Program Room 303

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## CLASS RULES

- There are 3 rules to follow in this class:
  - *Be Ready*: Being ready means being on time to class. It also means bringing the required materials to class (pen/pencil, text book, notebook, etc.)
    - Part of being ready is using the restroom at appropriate times. Because a student asking to leave the room in the middle of class creates a disruption to others, each student will only be allowed 3 bathroom/drink passes per semester. These passes can be used or saved and turned in at the end of the semester for extra credit.
    - Students without passes that need to leave the room at inappropriate times will be referred to the office.
  - *Be Respectful*: Show respect to everyone and everything! Being respectful means that you are not talking, reading, using your cell phone, or doing other homework while someone else is speaking.
  - *Be Responsible*: You are responsible for yourself and your actions.
- The rules and discipline policy as described in the student handbook also apply. Please be familiar with the handbook!

# CELL PHONES/HEADPHONES

• Cell phones and headphones should be kept away during instruction, class discussions, and group activities. **This will be strictly enforced**. Violations of this rule will result in a discipline referral, which could result in a student having to turn in his or her phone to the office at the start of the school day.

# CLASS MATERIALS

- Every student is encouraged to have a folder with loose-leaf paper in it that is devoted to this class. Assignments and notes should be kept in this folder.
- Students should purchase pens, pencils, colored pencils or markers, and several sheets of poster board. These materials will be used throughout the semester.

# CLASS PROCEDURE

- You should keep a folder to store your class handouts and your notes. You are welcome to keep this folder in the cabinet drawers.
- Upon entering the classroom, you should look at the SmartBoard to find out what the day's agenda is. Have your folder out and a pencil ready.
- All assignments are posted on the class website.
- Extra handouts/worksheets are kept in the black bins on the counter.

## CLASS WEBSITE

- All of the assignments and upcoming assignments are listed on the class website. Extra credit opportunities are also listed on the website. Here is the address:

   http://hartatready.weebly.com
- On the class webpage, you will find links to Google Classroom, which will be utilized extensively throughout the semester.

## TEXT

- World History: Connections to Today (Glencoe, 2005)
- Various other handouts/readings will be assigned throughout the course.

## GRADING

- Grading will occur on a variety of assignments including journal writings, group work, outside readings, tests, quizzes, and presentations.
- If you have a question concerning your grade, please ask during an appropriate time—not in the middle of class.
- The grading scale is as follows:
  - 100%-90%: A
  - 89%-80%: B
  - 79%-70%: C
  - o 69%-60%: D
  - 59%-0%: F
- The final grade for this course will be determined as follows:
  - $\circ$  1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Grade  $\rightarrow$  50%
  - $\circ$  2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Grade  $\rightarrow$  50%
- Each quarter will be worth approximately 450-550 points.

## ASSIGNMENTS

- All assignments are due at the beginning of the period unless otherwise specified.
- No credit for assignments done in red ink.
- Please use the following heading in the upper right-hand corner:
  - Name
    - Date
    - Period
    - Assignment Name

## LATE WORK

- Assignments are due on the announced dates, and are subject to penalty if turned in after the due date.
- No assignment will be accepted after the test for the unit.
- Essays and other large assignments will go down one letter grade per day. No credit given after 2 days.

### MAKEUP WORK

- For regular daily assignments (other than essays or projects), you have as many days to make up the work as you have been "excused" for your absence.
- For assignments that cannot go home, you will have to make arrangements to makeup the assignment (or test) before school, after school, or during lunch.
- I will **not** pursue your makeup work. It is your responsibility to find out what you have missed in class and to find out what the day's assignment was.
- Do not interrupt class to find out what you have missed. You may ask about makeup work before school, after school, or when class is finished.
- All makeup work is placed in the black bin on the counter. Assignments are also posted on the class Google Classroom page.
- The number one reason a student does poorly in class is failure to makeup their work. Do not neglect your responsibilities if you must be absent!

## **IN-CLASS MOVIES**

- Throughout the semester, we may watch several movies in class that may have an "R" rating for scenes of violence or language. Movies with sexual content will not be shown. These movies will have a direct correlation to the topic that we are studying.
- Should you or your parent/guardian object to seeing an R-rated movie in class, you will have the option to complete an alternative assignment. Please contact Mr. Hart with specific questions relating to in-class movies.
- You *must* return the parent permission form at the bottom of the syllabus in order to watch an in-class movie that is rated R!

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

- This year long survey course of world history is a study of the development of civilization from ancient times through the two World Wars. Students will examine the ancient civilizations of Egypt, Greece, and Rome. Students will also examine medieval Europe, the Industrial Revolution, the French Revolution, and the two World Wars. Throughout this course, students will analyze various primary source documents to enhance their understanding of cultural, political, geographical, and historical themes of world history. The following is a list of the units that will be studied:
  - Unit 1: Intro to World History/Ancient Egypt
  - Unit 2: Ancient Greece
  - Unit 3: Ancient Rome/The Rise of Christianity
  - Unit 4: The Rise of Europe (The Early Middle Ages)
  - Unit 5: The High Middle Ages
  - Unit 6: The Renaissance
  - Unit 7: The French Revolution
  - o Unit 8: The Industrial Revolution
  - o Unit 9: World War I
  - Unit 10: World War II

• Throughout this course, you will be required to complete assignments based on the textbook, in-class essays, outside research projects, and assignments based on in-class movies.

I have read this syllabus and I understand the course policies and expectations for this course. I am also fully aware that R-rated movies may be periodically shown in class. Should I wish not to view these films, I have the option to complete an alternative assignment.

#### Student's Signature

I have read this syllabus and I understand the course policies and expectations for Mr. Hart's World History course.

- \_\_\_\_\_ I give \_\_\_\_\_\_ permission to view R-rated films relevant to the study of world history.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I do not give permission for \_\_\_\_\_\_ to view R-rated films in class. I understand that an alternative assignment will be assigned to replace the viewing of the movie.

Parent's or Guardian's Signature