

U.S. History

Chimacum High School

2009-2010

United States History is a required course for American students. Besides this, U.S. History will help students understand the workings of our country and government and, perhaps, find the subject interesting.

Fall Trimester explores the ideas which formed our country and how the citizens have used those ideas to create our country.

“Big Idea” for the trimester: How do a nation's stated ideals and principles shape how its citizens think and act?

Units and chapters covered in "America: Pathways to the Present"

Unit 2: Balancing Liberty and Order, 1753–1820

Chapter 4: The Road to Independence, 1753–1783

Chapter 5: The Constitution of the United States, 1776–1800

Chapter 6: The Origins of American Politics, 1789–1820

Unit 3: An Emerging New Nation, 1783–1855

Chapter 7: Life in the New Nation, 1783–1850

Chapter 8: The Growth of a National Economy, 1790–1850

Chapter 9: Religion and Reform, 1815–1855

Unit 4: Division and Uneasy Reunion, 1846–1877

Chapter 10: The Coming of the Civil War, 1846–1861

Chapter 11: The Civil War, 1861–1865

Chapter 12: Reconstruction, 1865–1877

The course will consist of reading assignments and informal assessments, quizzes, tests and a Content Based Assessment.

Grading will be 40% assignments and 60% quizzes, tests and Content Based Assessment.

Assignments need to be turned in on time and may lose credit if they are late. Students will be allowed reasonable time to make up assignments after sickness or injury.

Students will keep a class notebook which will may be kept in the classroom and taken home when needed.

As per school rules, no cellphones out at any time. Students may use the classroom telephone by permission. If a parent needs to contact a student, they may call the main office at 732-4481 to leave a message or the student may be called to the office or have the parent transferred to the classroom phone.

Cellphones out will be taken to the office where the student may get them at the end of the class day.

No iPods out without permission.

You must be on time. After three tardies for any reason, the student will lose .1 of a grade point for each tardy. Students may make up this time by arrangement with the teacher.

I may be contacted through the main office at 732-4481 or through e-mail at Jeff_Benedict@csd49.org .