



Welcome To
US History

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Room 122

<http://daveforrest.net/US>

Welcome to US History. This required 10 unit junior course explores US History from the late 18th century to the present. The 10 units of the class include:

- The Foundations of Democracy
- The Progressive Era
- The US Becomes a World Power
- The Roaring 20's
- The Great Depression and the New Deal
- World War II and the Homefront
- The Cold War
- The Civil Rights Movement
- The Vietnam War and the 1960's
- The US since Watergate

Students will learn about US history through a variety of means. In addition to traditional lectures and discussion, students will engage in class discussions and simulations to learn about particular historical experiences. There will be an emphasis on reading carefully from the US textbook, as well from primary and secondary sources. This is the first year that all students will have a Chromebooks. These tools will aid students in various types of history research, writing and classroom presentations.

Each historical unit will last approximately four weeks. In addition to daily classwork and homework, students will have quizzes and tests. At the end of units students will take both multiple choice and writing assessments. Grades will be based on the following percentages:

	Semester 1	Semester 2
Classwork and Homework	30%	25%
Tests, Quizzes and Assessments	45%	40%
Research Project	10%	20%
Final Exam	15%	15%
	100 %	100%

To be successful in the US History class please do the following:

- Arrive on time, and be in your seat when the bell rings.
- Bring your notebook, Chromebook, pen or pencil each day.
- Participate in class discussions by raising your hand.
- Turn your cell phones and personal electronic devices off and put them away.
- Be nice and work hard.

If you do not follow these simple rules I will:

- Give you a warning.
- Hold a detention.
- Call your parents.
- Send you to the office.

If you have an excused absence, you have as many days to make up missed work as days you missed class. If you need more help, just ask and I'll be glad to find a time at lunch or after school to help you.

Our classroom website will be helpful in accessing World Studies slideshows presentations, handouts, and links to classroom activities. <http://daveforrest.net/US>

I am looking forward to working with you this year.

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