

8th Grade U.S. History
Coach Ballard
2025-2026 Syllabus

Planning Period: 11:10-12:00 (4th Hour)

Contact Information:

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Classroom Expectations:

1. Be On Time: you **MUST** be seated when the bell rings or you are TARDY
2. Be Prepared: Bring a pencil or pen and something to write on (notebook paper) **EVERYDAY**.
3. Be Respectful: Treat your teacher and each classmate with respect.
ZERO TOLERANCE FOR BULLYING.
4. PHONES: All phones are to be turned off and locked in their locker at the beginning of the school day. A student will receive a phone violation (consequences determined by administration) if they are on their phone during the school day.
5. ONLY water is allowed to drink in class.

Daily Class Materials:

Pen/Pencil

Notebook Paper

Colored Pencils (only bring when told)

Assignments:

Students will be provided class time to work on assignments assigned that day. Anything not completed by the end of the class period will be finished the next day. If not completed by that next day, then the assignment is going to be considered a Late Assignment and will be accepted ONE DAY LATE for a 50% deduction. If the assignment is not turned in by that day, then it is an automatic ZERO without the option of redoing it. There may be certain assignments that may not be eligible for a late grade, with the syllabus grade being NOT eligible for a late grade.

Absences:

It is the student's responsibility to ask for and collect all assignments that were missed due to an absence. That even goes for being gone for extracurricular activities. A student will receive the same number of days he/she were absent to make up work that was missed during the absence. Assignments, deadlines, and tests that were announced or received prior to the date(s) a student was absent will be upon the students return to school.

No Supplies:

Students are expected to come to class fully prepared with all necessary supplies to begin working after the tardy bell. Should students come to class unprepared, they will be sent to their locker to retrieve supplies/assignments and will be counted as tardy; the tardy rule still applies.

Tardy:

Students will be expected to be in the classroom and in their seats when the bell rings. If students are not in their seats when the bell rings, they will be marked as tardy. If a student receives 3 tardies, they will be given a day or detention.

Grading Scale:

A: 90-100%

B: 80-89%

C: 70-79%

D: 60-69%

F: 59% or below

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns; please do not hesitate to reach out and contact me.

Thank you,
Coach Ballard

Disclaimer: This syllabus is subject to change should unanticipated events merit it.