United States History

Mr. Massey– Rm. 1001

**Course Description**: We will study the history of the United States from the settling of the colonies through modern-day trends. Our emphasis will be from the Reconstruction Period to present.

**Graded Assignments**:

Guided Reading assignments – Work from textbook to help with understanding.

Quizzes – 10- 12 Multiple Choice questions to check your reading.

Unit Exams – Dozens of multiple choice questions and a free response.

Essays – Essays will part of your assessment about every other test.

Notebook – A running notebook will be kept with notes and assignments.

Study Guides – To aid in studying for Unit Exams.

Final Exam **– End of Course Assessment will count as 20% of overall grade 2nd semester.**

**Grading Procedure**:

All assignments will be assessments geared toward gauging your current understanding and the depth of your understanding. Therefore, 100% of your grade will be calculated on an assessment scale consistent with the school-wide policy. In other words, homework and exams will be given equal percentage weight though exams and quizzes will be worth more overall points.

**Grading Scale**:

A – 90 – 100

B – 80 - 89

C – 70 - 79

D – 60 - 69

**Grades**:

Grades will be earned by the student and not given by the teacher. Your scores will determine your grade. Late work will be accepted up to a point, but ultimately, the responsibility to turn in work on time is up to the student.

**Make-up Work**:

It is also imperative that make-up work be completed in a timely fashion. The student handbook outlines the rules and procedures for make-up work. One or two days a week will be designated for make-up exams either in the morning before school or directly after school.

**Classroom Rules**:

1. Be in class on time.

2. Have all materials and be prepared to learn.

3. Use class time to work on U.S. History (i.e. When its time to take notes; take notes. When it’s time to work on a study guide; work on the study guide.)

4. Treat others with respect.

5. Refrain from using profanity.

6. Texting, tweeting, and facebooking are prohibited in class. Phones may be used from time to time for instructional purposes.

7. Do your own work.

8. Eating and drinking in class **may be** prohibited.

9. Keep your hands to yourselves. Brushing one another’s hair or back massages will not be tolerated in class.

10. Three trips to the restroom (locker, etc…) during the course of a semester.