

Saint Jude Catholic School
United State History Syllabus
8th Grade
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Course Description:

The purpose of the United States History curriculum is to encourage learning and understanding as it relates to the age of exploration, the birth of our nation, colonization and up to the Civil War. Cause and effect are studied as students focus on the development of the economic system of Colonial America, territorial expansion and its impact of current American society. Students will be able to evaluate different periods in United States history.

Students will demonstrate their understanding of the content through analyzing tables, charts, graphs, political cartoons, short reading passages. Students will also have the opportunity to work collaboratively on in-class and out-of-class assignments/projects throughout the school year.

Expectations:

Students are expected to...

1. Come to class prepared and on time with their textbook, binder, pen, and other daily supplies.
2. Be respectful of themselves, their classmates, their teacher, their classroom and other students' property.
3. WHEN ABSENT, students are responsible for getting and making up missed work from their teacher as soon as they return to school.
4. Ask appropriate questions in a respectful manner. Questions should not be off topic. Other questions may be asked after class or after school.
5. Come to class with a smile, great attitude and try their best to be successful.

Grading scale:

Tests/Projects	50%
Quizzes	30%
Homework	20%

Resources used include but are not limited to: McGraw-Hill: *Discovering our Past: A History of the United States*

- Syllabus is subject to change at teachers discretion