

CP U.S. History Syllabus

2009-2010

Mr. Bell

Overview: This class is the history portion of the American Studies course at Fort Bragg High School. In accordance with the state of California Social Studies Standards, we will concentrate primarily on US history since Reconstruction. This is a college prep course, so the academic demands will exceed those of a general high school level history class.

Class Structure: Daily lessons will vary. Students can expect lectures, discussions, and individual and group activities.

Grading: Your grade in this class will be based on the percentage of the total points of all assignments. The grading scale is as follows:

A = 90% - 100%

B = 80% - 89%

C = 70% - 79%

D = 60% - 69%

F = 0% - 59%

Weighted Grade System: Different types of assignments constitute a different percentage of your total points in this class. They are as follows:

Tests = 40%

Homework/Class work = 30%

Projects = 20%

Quizzes = 10% (Open Note)

Turning-In Work: ALL WORK IS DUE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PERIOD.

Late Work: I do not accept late work. If you have an assignment due on a day that you will miss class due to say an athletic event, it is up to **you** to get it to me **before** you leave.

Make-Up Work: Make-up work will only be given in cases of excused absences. **It is the student's responsibility to get make-up work ON THE FIRST DAY** upon returning to class.

Extra Credit: There will be none.

Class Rules: Since you are juniors, I will keep it simple.

- 1. Be in your seat when the tardy bell rings.**
- 2. Be Prepared**—Have something to write with (and on) and be ready to participate.
- 3. Respect Others**—Treat people how you would like to be treated. When one person is talking, everyone else should listen. Moreover, everyone has the right to express themselves. If you disagree with someone's viewpoint, wait until they have finished speaking, and then, in a respectful manner, you may state your disagreement.
- 4. Be in your seat when the dismissal bell rings**—Do not mill about the door before it is time to go.
- 5. All electronic devices that are visible (or audible) will be confiscated.**