U.S. HISTORY CLASS POLICIES

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Welcome to United States history. My name is Mr. Woolsey and I am anxious to get this year started. This class will prove very challenging, but I am here to help you succeed. In order to help you get an idea of what to expect, I have outlined parts of the class below. Please read it and fell free to ask any questions. Take a night to read everything, share it with your parent or guardian, and make sure you understand what you have read. Return the signed sheet to me for **five points in the grade book.**

Major Topics Covered:

- Build-up to the Civil War
- Civil War/Reconstruction
- Industrialization
- Imperialism
- World War I and World War II
- The Great Depression
- Civil Rights Movement
- Cold War and Vietnam
- Modern America

Assessment:

How are you going to be graded in my class?

- Class work, assignments, and homework......50%
- Quizzes, tests, and formal essays......50%

Late work:

Grades will be **reduced by half if they are late**. Homework is due at the very start of class. If you are late to class, your homework is also late and will be marked down as such. Excused tardies and absences are the only exception.

Grading Scale:

90-100= A 80-89= B 70-79=C 60-69=D 0-59= F

Please know that there will be **no extra credit for this class**. If you turn in your assignments and try to collect all the points that are possible, this will not be a problem.

General Behavior Guidelines

• Respect other students and the teacher. **MUTUAL RESPECT** between student and teacher (any teacher) is the only behavior rule we need. Each student is entitled to express their own opinon and everyone has the right to speak

uninterrupted. Respect our classroom, as well. This means **NO FOOD OR DRINK IN CLASS**.

- Homework: All homework needs to be handed in at the beginning of the period
 in which it is due. Any work turned in after this period may be turned in for half
 credit. Make sure that the homework winds up in the basket at the front of the
 room.
 - o For excused absences, we will follow Cherry Creek High School policy.
- Students remain in the classroom except in the event of an emergency or a restroom break. Only one restroom break will be allowed per class.
- Class begins with the first bell and runs until the teacher dismisses class.
 - o Tardiness will hurt your grade.
 - o Do not pack up early or leave your seat until told to do so.
- Absolutely no cell phones or any electronics out during class. This includes silent work time. These items will be taken away the first time I notice them.
- Come to class with all required materials, you will not be able to run to your locker, no matter how close it is to class. Be sure to study for tests and quizzes, also never be afraid to ask for help or clarification.
 - Stuff to bring to class: loose paper, pens/pencils, ruler, coloring utensils, and text books. This is a basic list, listen for special additions.
- Failure to follow these guidelines can result in calls or notes home, trips to the dean's office, and/or parent-student-teacher conferences.

Teacher Availability:

It is my responsibility to be available to help you outside of class. You may sign up for a specific time before or after school, or during my free periods. Feel free to "drop-in" my office at any time, but be aware that I might not be available to help you at all times. I am an assistant cross country coach here at CCHS and those duties may take me away from my office or make me unavailable. Appointments are your way to guarantee that I will be ready and available to help you!

Please feel free to bring any questions or problems you have with my class to my attention. Only open and honest discussion can settle such problems and create a strong classroom.

It is my goal to see each student:

- Develop strong study habits and enjoy learning
- Understand American history as well as seeing old subjects in a new light
- Create skills that you will use throughout your time at Creek, in all of your classes.

Please indicate that you have read and understand my class policies and have shared them with your parent or guardian by signing below. Thank you!

Student signature	Date	
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Guardian signature	Date	