**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

US History is a required class at Copper Hills High and a passing grade is necessary before a student is eligible for graduation. During the upcoming year students will be studying all of, but not limited to, the following topics: Reconstruction, Spanish- American War, World War I, the Roaring 20’s, the Great Depression, WWII, Cold War, Civil Rights, Vietnam Era, 1980’s, 1990’s, and Contemporary US History .

**Instructor**

Joel F. Sundquist, MAT

**Office Hours**

Monday - Friday: 2:30–3:00 pm

(\*Sept office hours will be by request only)

**SUPPLIES**

This course will require some basic supplies that every student needs to bring to every class session. These supplies will include:

* Pen or pencil
* Notebook paper
* 1” 3 ring binder

**TEXTBOOKS**:

We will be using a classroom set of texts for this class and will be handed out on an as needed basis only. Students will be allowed to check-out a book in order to make up work from excused absences, and will do so on the “book check-out” sheet on my desk.

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| C+ | 77-79% |
| C | 72-76% |
| C- | 70-71% |
| D+ | 67-69% |
| D | 62-66% |
| D- | 60-61% |
| F | 59% and Below |

**GRADING SCALE**

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| A | 92-100% |
| A- | 90-91% |
| B+ | 87-89% |
| B | 82-86% |
| B- | 80-81% |

Components that will be used to determine grades will be:

* Tests/Quizzes
* Assignments
* Starters
* Participation
* Preparation

**MAKE UP WORK**

All excused absences will be able to be made up. In order to do so, the student will see me on his/her first day back from absence, receive the appropriate assignments, and create a time-table for that missed work to be turned in for full credit. **Note: No make-up work will be given to those that do not see me on the first day back from the absence.**

**LATE WORK**

Late work will be accepted. However, any assignment that is handed in late will be automatically only worth a maximum of half credit. Late work will be accepted throughout the quarter, so it is to the student’s advantage to compete all assignments even if they are not on time. **Note: A 50 percent on an assignment is much better than a 0.**

**HOMEWORK**

Although students will not receive homework on a regular basis, students will be asked to complete some work outside of the class period. The majority of these assignments will be either current event related or regular class work that the student was unable to finish during the given period.

**FERPA NOTICE**

Student information, work, and grades will be kept confidential and will not be shared without the necessary authorization as per FERPA Regulations - See JSD Policy.

**EXTRA CREDIT**

Throughout the semester there will be opportunities for students to receive extra credit. The most common example of this will be in the form of handing in assignments early. If I receive specific assignments before the actual due date, students may receive extra credit for doing so. Extra credit may also be earned by preparing a student/teacher discussion on a current event issue. For more information about this, please see me.

\*Note: Extra credit counts on top of assignments, not instead of them. This means, in order to receive extra credit, all assignments must be handed in.

**SLUFFING/UNEXCUSED ABSENCES**

There will be no make-up work allowed for unexcused absences.

**CHEATING**

1st offence – If student is caught cheating on a test, quiz, assignment, or other exercise, the student will receive a zero on the assignment. The student will also be required to meet with me before or after school to discuss consequences of the action.

2nd offence – If student is caught cheating for a second time, student will receive a zero on the assignment and parents will be contacted for a conference.

**CLASS RULES**

* Respect Yourself/ Do Your Best
* Respect School Property
* Respect Everyone Our Classroom

**CONSEQUENCES**

* 1st Offence
	+ One-on-One verbal warning
* 2nd Offence
	+ Seating change
* 3rd Offence
	+ Arrive before school starts for student-teacher conference
* 4th Offence
	+ Creation of a behavior contract
* 5th Offence
	+ Possible referral to office

**VIDEO POLICY**

Throughout the year we may be watching educational films that will add to students overall grasp of the material. These videos have all been school and district approved, but may have a rating of PG 13. I do understand that some parents may not want their student to view all of these films. If so, an alternate assignment will be given. Signing of this document gives your student the right to view these educational films.

**I HAVE READ THE ABOVE DOCUMENT. (PLEASE CHECK WHICH APPLIES)**

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 **PARENT/GUARDIAN EMAIL**

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 **BEST AVAILABLE PHONE NUMBER**

**COMMENTS:**