



**United States History and Government  
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**Course Description:**

This course is designed to provide an overview of United States History in preparation for the New York State Regents Exam in June. This year we will examine the development of our nation's history and government and work together to understand significant events and people that have shaped our country. We will begin with British America and journey through history up to contemporary issues in the United States. Students will gain an understanding of those basic principles and the cultural heritage that support our democracy so that they can become informed, committed participants in our democracy.

**YOU NEED**

- Pens
- Pencils
- White Out
- Highlighter
- 5 subject binder with paper
- Dividers and/or folder inserts

**Five Sections are for:**

Class notes

Chapter homework

Chapter worksheets

Tests/Quizzes

Current events

**Organizational skills need to be used/acquired.**

**You must be able to keep track of your work and papers.**

## **DO:**

- Bring your loose leaf notebook/binder to all classes
- Bring your IPAD to class everyday
- Bring paper/pen/pencil
- Be seated when the bell rings
- Be quiet during class when not participating
- Be courteous to classmates
- **Your homework**
- **Study** some each night
- **Read each assigned section of the textbook by the time we begin that section in class**
- Remember your success is what **you** make it

## **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR:**

- **All work missed**
- **All tests that must be made up**
- **All worksheets handed out**
- **All textbooks and their condition**
- **Your IPAD, required downloads/software, and its condition**
- **Having your IPAD charged when you come to class**

## **ATTENDANCE POLICY:**

- **Class attendance at St. Francis Prep is a major priority. All students are required to complete all required work even if they are absent. If a student is absent from class 6 or more times for any given quarter, this will be considered excessive absence. This will result in a mandatory 5 point deduction from the quarterly grade. Please be advised classes missed due to lateness or early dismissal will be included in this group.**

## **TESTS:**

- Will be given on Friday as a general rule
- **Comprised of regents questions**
- Can be on anything covered
- Scope will be assigned during the week
- Can be made up within in a week (5 school days)

## **YOU MUST SEE ME FOR A MAKEUP DATE**

**\*\*Not made up = 0 \*If a student cuts class on the day of an exam = 0**

## **QUIZZES:**

- Unannounced on Wednesday
- Will cover homework assigned and class lessons (including last year)
- Generally open notebook
- Cannot be made up as a rule (Bonus work will be offered)
- One low quiz grade may be dropped per quarter

### **CURRENT EVENT ARTICLE REVIEWS:**

- Due every other Monday
  - \* If a holiday/vacation falls on a Monday, it will be due when we return to school
- Articles must pertain to United States events
- **No sports, no celebrities, no exceptions!**
- Count towards homework and class participation grade

### **EXTRA HELP:**

- Available on Tuesday, and by request. May be used to make up tests/quizzes
- Answers questions and addresses problems
- **Does not re-teach a lesson. Come with questions prepared**

### **GRADES:**

- 50%--Tests/projects
- 20%--Quizzes
- 20%--Classroom Participation
- 10%--Homework

Student \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian \_\_\_\_\_