Honors Cold War

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**Tutoring:** Thursday (7:20-7:50) and Thursday (3:15-3:45)

**Course Description:** The Cold War will begin with the origins of capitalism and communism and what prepared parts of the world to accept these new economic systems. Students will examine the historical and intellectual origins of the United States and the Soviet Union from the Declaration of Independence to the Russian Civil War. Students will learn about the political and economic factors that contributed to the rise of communism and the Cold War. The Cold War will guide students as they study the establishment of the Cold War, the use of proxy wars, the growing race to global destruction, and the conclusion of the Cold War and its impacts on today’s world.

**Attendance:** Students are expected to attend class and be on time. Students not in class when the bell rings will be sent to SMC. Tardy students will report to SMC and sign in with the SMC Coordinator. Students will receive a pass to class after signing in with SMC. Excessive lockouts will result in school detention or suspension. Union County policy states that more than **7** unexcused absences during the semester will result in a failing grade.

**Homework:** From time to time students will be asked to complete various homework assignments that will serve as either an extension of the day’s lesson or something to prepare them for the next day’s lesson.

**Quizzes:** Quizzes will be given periodically and will cover the last few lessons of material. Quizzes will be announced at least a week in advance. The information for the quizzes will be on the presentations that can be found on the Canvas page.

**Projects:** A Project will be assigned for each Unit of Study. The projects will be a way for students to creatively express themselves and what they have learned in the Unit of Study. Each project will count as a test grade.

**Make-Up Work:** All work is due on time. Homework will be a 50% at best after one day. Late project will lose 10% a day. If you are absent the day of an assignment is collected, you have **3** **School Days** from your return date to school to turn in late assignments. After **3** **School Days**, it is an F/0. If the student is absent the day an assignment was handed out, it is the student’s responsibility, **NOT THE TEACHER’S**, to obtain the homework assignment the day they return to school. Notes for the day’s lecture will be available on my Canvas page.

**Grades**: Your grade will be composed of the following:

Test/Project:**45%** Quizzes:**30%** Homework:**25%**

**Required Materials:**

* 1 2” Three Ring Binder with loose-leaf notebook paper
* Highlighters
* Pencils
* Pens (Blue or Black Ink)

**Classroom Expectations:** All school rules apply.

**5 Essentials**

1. Be on Time.
2. Be Prepared to Learn.
3. Follow directions the first time.
4. I am the beginning and the end.
5. Electronic devices are to be used at teacher’s discretion.

**Consequences:**

* Verbal warning.
* Minor Infraction.
* Discipline referral to the administration.

**Miscellaneous:**

1. At various times movies that are “R” rated may be shown to discuss to give a visual portrayal of a period in history. Scenes of a questionable nature will not be shown to students because it will either be irrelevant to the discussion or it is inappropriate in nature. By signing the contract and selecting yes, permission will be given to Mr. Branan to include your student in the viewing of the movie. If no box is selected but contract is signed, this will be perceived by me as permission to include the student in the viewing.
2. Cell Phones: Cell Phones may not be used unless authorized by Mr. Branan. Per school policy, students will be expected to place their phone in their designated pouch. They may remove the phone at my discretion
3. Cheating: Cheating on any assignment will not be tolerated and per school policy will result in a 0/F and a disciplinary referral to administration.