

Welcome 8th Grade Parents!

What to Expect for the Social Studies

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Freshmen World History



About Our Curriculum



- All 9th graders take World and United States History I (Roughly 1450-1877)
- All 10th graders take World and United States History II (Roughly 1877-Present)
- This blended curriculum is very unique and helps to place American History in a global context

What will my child learn first semester?

- Unit 1: Beginnings of the Modern World
- Unit 2: Collision of Cultures
- Unit 3: Absolutism and the Clash of Empires
- Unit 4: Enlightenment and Revolution! (French, American, Latin American)

What will my child learn second semester?

- Unit 5: The Industrial Revolution
- Unit 6: Political Change in the United Kingdom and United States 1700-1800
- Unit 7: Rise of Nationalism and Expansion of Empires
- Unit 8: The United States Civil War and Reconstruction

What about Sophomore Year?

Unit 1: Gilded Age and Progressive Era

Unit 2: Imperialism, WWI, & Russian Rev.

Unit 3: The Period Between the Wars

Unit 4: World War II

Unit 5: The Cold War

Unit 6: Nationalism and Revolution in the Post-War World

Unit 7: American Society 1945-Present

Unit 8: Globalization and the Modern World

What about skills?



- Research (Projects and Papers)
- Annotating
- Writing
- Historical Thinking Skills
 - Argumentation, Analyzing sources for Context, Audience, Purpose, Point of View,

How will teachers support my child?

- Freshmen team differentiates to meet diverse learning needs
- Students can receive extra help from their teacher during free periods or before or after school
- Students can enroll in Humanities Learning Center or drop-in as needed
- We are currently experimenting with a co-teaching model

What happens after 10th Grade?



Mandatory Course: Government (Junior or Senior Year)

Semester course during school year

Year-long AP Comparative Government during school year

Summer Government

Then: ELECTIVES!

CHS Social Studies Electives



African Studies	*Music in American Society	AP Comparative Government
Behavioral Psychology	Psych. Disorders and the Media	AP European History
Classical Civilizations	*The World at War	AP Human Geography
Current Issues	Sociology	AP Psychology
Film in American Society	Philosophy	AP Economics
Gender Studies	Sports and Western Society	AP United States History
History of Saint Louis	American Military Experience	AP World History
International Relations	Civil War and Frontier History	<i>*New in 2020-2021</i>

Questions?



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Thank you for coming!