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World History Syllabus – Spring Semester 2017

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| Remind Texts:  (visit [www.remind.com](http://www.remind.com) to learn more about Remind Messages) | Remind is a text messaging system that allows the teacher to send out reminders to students and parents. Parents and students can sign up to receive text messages. All personal information is kept private. To receive the messages, text the message **@worldh2017** to the number **81010**. |
| Course Description:  (from the Georgia Department of Education) | This course is a comprehensive, intensive study of major events and themes in world history. We will begin with the study of the earliest civilizations worldwide and continue to examine major developments and themes in all regions of the world. The course culminates in a study of change and continuity and globalization at the beginning of the 21st century. |
| Textbook: | Spielvogel, J. J. (2005). *World History*. New York, NY: McGraw-Hill. This book shall remain in the classroom as part of a set. It is the student’s responsibility to treat school property with respect and to not deface, damage, vandalize, or destroy the textbook. |
| Required Materials: | 1 ½ to 2 inch 3 ring binder Spiral notebook Folder with center brads  Notebook paper Pens/Pencils |
| Grading System: | For Nine-Week Grades, the following will be used:  Daily Assignments: ……………………………………………….40%  Tests/Projects: ……………………………………………………60%  Semester grades will be determined by taking 40% of the first nine weeks, 40% of the second nine weeks, and 20% will be the final exam. |
| Make-Up Work Policy: | In the event of an absence, it is the student’s responsibility to make-up missed work. Assignments and tests may be made up until the end of each 9 week period. However, if a student has not made up a test or quiz grade within 2 weeks, his or her parents will be notified. Students may only make-up tests or quizzes after school and not during class time. |
| Late Work Policy: | For major assignments, there will be a 10% penalty deducted for each day the assignment is late. |
| Retest Policy: | If a student is not satisfied with a grade on a test, he/she may retake that test after school only. Students will not be allowed to miss class time to retake tests. |
| Extra Credit  Plagiarism & Cheating Policy: | Extra credit opportunities will be available.  Students that have plagiarized any portion of their written work shall receive a grade of a 1.  For the first offense a student may rewrite the assignment for a grade no higher than a 70. Each offense after the first, the student receives a 1 with no rewrite. Students will also be subject to discipline for each offense. |
| Final Exam & Exemption: | There will be a final exam given for this course which counts 20% of the final average. It can be exempted based on the PHS Exam Exemption Policy. Students who have received ISS, OSS, or have more than five tardies and/or early checkouts for the class will not be able to exempt the final exam. |
| Electronic Device Policy: | Pickens High School follows a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) protocol; however, electronic devices are to not to be used in class except when allowed by the teacher. When using electronic devices for in-class activities, students are not to use their devices in any manner other than as directed by the teacher. At no point in class should students be using their electronic device to text or use social media such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, etc. Student devices that are used inappropriately are subject to confiscation and discipline. |
| Class Rules/ Expectations: | Students are expected to follow the PHS Student Code of Conduct. The following are the expectations that shall also be adhered to in the classroom:   1. Be respectful in actions and speech – no arguing with others. 2. Be present and on-time. 3. Be prepared for class every day. 4. Pay attention in class. 5. Follow directions. 6. Participate in class activities and discussions. 7. Complete assignments on time. 8. Take responsibility for yourself and your academic success. 9. Do not use electronic devices without permission (no texting, no social media in class or selfies/pictures, no phone calls). 10. No eating or chewing gum in class. (Medical exemptions ok). 11. Students will be permitted to leave the classroom only to go to the bathroom or the water fountain. Limit bathroom breaks. No breaks during instruction. |
| Consequences for Rule Violation: | For violation of class rules, the following consequences apply:  1st Offense – Warning (Verbal)  2nd Offense – Call to Parents  3rd Offense – Disciplinary Referral to an administrator  Severe infractions of the class rules and/or Student Code of Conduct will result in an immediate disciplinary referral to an administrator. |

Please sign below that you have read and understand the provisions of the syllabus.

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Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_