

#### Keep phones & earbuds away until instructed for use.

#### Be kind & be respectful.

#### Raise your hand and participate.

#### Be ethical with your work. (Collaboration is good; plagiarism is bad)

Assignments will be completed in your spiral notebook unless directed otherwise. A calendar of assignments is posted weekly in class & on-line to help you keep track of assignments. Assignments will be graded individually then summed up for a total chunk score in Aeries. All assignments are due by given date. **No late work accepted!!** Notebook assignments must be kept in order of when they were assigned. If assignment is to be completed on computer first, print out assignment, then cut it to the size of notebook paper & secure it neatly on page.

Homework is not busywork. It is necessary for you to complete in order to participate in class the next day or to develop important skills. If you choose not to complete the assigned work, you are missing out on the opportunity to learn and grow. In the past, students who didn’t complete classwork/homework struggled to pass CPUSH.

# Course Description

CPUSH is a year-long survey course of American history from Pre-Civil War to the 21st century. This course will analyze major political, social, economic, technological, and cultural developments & trends that have shaped the U.S. You will experience rigorous content and application of knowledge through critical thinking, writing and creative perspective skills in order to foster development of your college/career readiness. You are expected to come to class each day with your *daily supplies* and participate. Discussion, both speaking and listening, as well as collaborative tasks will play a large role in class and help to prepare you for the college/career world. I look forward to spending the year learning with you!

## Classwork and Homework

### Class Expectations

**All school rules also apply.**

#### Be on time & be prepared.

CP United States History

**DAILY YOU WILL NEED:**

* A spiral notebook reserved FOR THIS CLASS ONLY
* Writing utensils (pens or pencils)
* A set of colored highlighters & pencils
* A Gmail account (sign up for one if you don’t have one already)
* A positive attitude, a sense of humor, & an open mind

Meeting classroom expectations and behaving appropriately in class helps to create a learning environment where you and your classmates feel welcome, safe, and respected. (See “*Classroom Expectation Chart*”)

If you choose to meet the classroom expectations, you will receive a **positive consequence**, such aspraise from teacher & classmates, a special reward or positive email home.

If you choose not to meet the classroom expectations or not to follow classroom policies & procedures, you will receive a **negative consequence,** such as a verbal warning, a change of seat, a student/teacher conference, a phone call home, cell phone confiscation\*, a detention, a parent/guardian meeting, and for severe infractions of school rules, suspension.

\* Teacher not responsible for any items lost or stolen from teacher’s desk.

## Positive & Negative Consequences

**Entering Class:** Gather any necessary materials, quickly find your seat, and begin working on the bellwork posted on the Smartboard. Tardy policy applies to students not in their assigned seat when the final bell rings (*See COHS handbook*). This includes those standing around socializing in the classroom or eating outside while I am taking role.

**Bathroom Usage:** You must leave your cell phone\* to gain access to the bathroom pass. Only one student out at a time. You will lose usage if you are consistently requesting or are gone for long periods of time.

**Food & Electronic Devices:** Food and drink (water ok) are not permitted inside the classroom for sanitary reasons.

Electronics should not be seen or heard in the classroom. Under my instruction, devices can be utilized as a curriculum resource during class time. If students abuse this privilege by texting, playing games or visiting social media sites, then such privilege will be lost. Earbuds must remain out & turned off during class time unless given permission by teacher to utilize.

**Exiting Class:** In the last five minutes of class, you will wrap up what you are working on, return materials to the appropriate locations, and complete an exit task. The teacher, not the bell, dismisses you upon completion of these tasks.

**Absences:** You have as many days to make up work as you have been excused for the absence. Unexcused absences are subject to zero credit. Check the online calendar for what you missed. Missed HOs are available in the marked file on the back table. Missed lecture notes are available by downloading the PowerPoint lecture from the Weebly site and copying down notes in notebook. Missed video questions are available by viewing the video on YouTube at home.

• Assessments are made up by the date posted on the whiteboard. If you do not make it up by the date posted, the score will remain a zero.

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**Revise & Redo:** Many assignments, especially our writing pieces, will require multiple attempts. An assignment is not considered complete and will not be graded until it meets the checklist criteria for that assignment.

## Policies, Procedures, & Grading