United States History Syllabus

Instructor: Jenn Singleton

Education: B.S. Degree in Education, Elementary Education Certification, Middle School Social Studies endorsement

Background: I have a background in teaching from public schools in Oklahoma and Missouri and History classes at our homeschool co-op in Springfield MO. This will be my fourth year teaching History for ReACHE. I am a mom who is blessed to stay home and homeschool my own three boys.

Availability: I am available by phone, text and email Monday through Friday. I prefer students contact me using Canvas.

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Grade Level: Course geared toward 11th grade – 9th and up accepted

Required Textbooks: Parents will need to purchase BJU U.S. History 5th ed. student activity manual. Students will be loaned a copy of BJU U.S. History 4th ed. textbook for $30. A full refund will be given when the textbook is returned in good condition. I have 8 books available. You are welcome to purchase your own copy if you choose or if I run out of books.

Class Schedule: Thursdays at Fannin Baptist Church

Class Fees: Register for class at reache.org The total fee for the class is $320 or $40 per month, plus a one-time supply fee of $20 due at the time of registration. Tuition payments should be made directly to the teacher using PayPal, personal check, or a bank drafted. Monthly payments by PayPal are not preferred due to their not being a way to schedule payments.

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Supplies Needed in Class Every Week: textbook, activities manual, ruled paper for notetaking, organizational binder of your choice

Course Description: This is a comprehensive survey of U.S. history over the last two centuries, including our Christian heritage. Students will tour America's history, beginning with the Native Americans and European explorers, wrapping up with present day.

Grading: This course can be used for high school credit. Parents can check grades or missing assignments at any time on Canvas. All assignments will be given a point value. Tests will be worth more points than weekly assignments. Any assignment one week late will be worth 75%. After one week, missing assignments will be worth 0 points.

Instructional Methods: lecture, reading, activity pages, discussion boards, individual or group projects, and written assignments

Expectations: The textbook written for 11th grade is the basis for our study but will be supplemented with videos. One chapter each week will be assigned for reading at home. Skimming the chapter for answers is not the same thing as reading the chapter for understanding. Weekly quizzes will be given to incentivize students to read the assigned chapter. Students will present a group project on the Civil War and an individual report on a famous American. There will be tests each quarter. Class only meets for 50 minutes each week, so it is important for students to arrive on time to class, be prepared and stay up to date on all work assigned. Students will be asked to use an online program called Canvas in this course to complete weekly assignments. Students should expect to do 45 minutes of work outside of class, four days a week.   If a student is absent, it will be their responsibility to use Canvas to stay caught up on assignments and get notes from a classmate. Technology will be allowed in the classroom for educational purposes such as notetaking. However, students who become distracted themselves or distract others by texts, calls, apps, or social media will be asked to turn in their devices.

Plagiarism: All assignments submitted in this course must be written in the words of the student unless acknowledged by quotation marks. Students should use the textbook as their primary source for information, not google. Answers should not be copied and pasted from any website. Collaboration with any other students in the class should be appropriate and result in each person recording their own answers in their own words.