**World Studies**

Mr. Miller

The course

World Studies I is a semester-long class and is the first half of the freshman social studies requirement. World Studies I and II **ARE REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION**. World Studies I covers world history from the Enlightenment (1600s—Chapter 8) through the post World War I world and the rise of dictators in Europe (1930s—Chapter 15). Most of the history we will cover focuses on developments in Europe and those nations’ interactions with the rest of the world, though there are units specifically covering Asia, the Middle East, Africa, and Latin America.

World Studies II is the second half of the freshman social studies requirement. It covers world history beginning with World War II and ends with Globalization in the modern world.

The text

## Mcgraw-Hill’s *World History and Geography—Modern Times*

* + The books must remain in the classroom, but you will be able to access the text and other resources digitally online. (See below for login information)

Expectations

In addition to the policies within the school handbook, some of my expectations for you are:

* **Come to class with a positive attitude and** **HAVE FUN!**
* **Be respectful and have good manners – treat other people, as you would like to be treated! (The Golden Rule)**
	+ Use cell phones appropriately.
* Be prepared to participate and learn.
* On time and on task – use your time wisely in class
* Be responsible – You are accountable for your work. If you are absent, it is up to you to make sure you complete any assignment missed.
* No talking during announcements.
* Academic honesty and integrity is expected at all times on all assignments.

Tardy policy

* Be here and on-time every day. Note that anything more than 15 minutes after the bell is counted as an absence.
* Three tardies result in a detention being assigned.
* Refer to your student handbook and student emphasis forms for additional penalties if tardies become a continuous problem.

Materials

You will need to come prepared with a pencil/pen, folder/binder and paper every day.

Textbook information:

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* Password: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Grading

- Points will be given to assignments that include, but are not limited to, the following:

* + Tests and Quizzes
	+ Writing assignments
	+ Portfolios
	+ Projects
	+ Presentations
	+ Group Work
* Note taking is a requirement for this course. Periodically, I may allow you to use notes on a test or quiz.
* Late assignments will be handled in the following manner: \*1 day- 50% off, after that you may not receive credit but will need to complete the assignment to be eligible for bonus points.
* **Important!** – Make sure that when you turn in work it is something that you are proud of and not something that is incomplete or rushed. Your work is a reflection of your ability. Therefore, the rule to follow is DO THE WORK RIGHT THE FIRST TIME!

General info

* If you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to talk to me at any time. See me before or after class or during 5st or 7th periods.

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