

U.S. HISTORY  
CLASS SYLLABUS  
2010-2011

TEACHER: Mrs. Maxey

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course provides comprehensive coverage of the history of the United States from the Civil War through the twentieth century. Historical content in conjunction with TEA objectives focuses on the political, economic, and social events and issues related to industrialization and urbanization, major wars, domestic and foreign policies of the Cold War and post-Cold War eras, and reform movements including civil rights. Students examine the impact of geographic factors on major events and analyze causes and effects of the Great Depression. Students examine the impact of constitutional issues on American society, evaluate the dynamic relationship of the three branches of the federal government, and analyze efforts to expand the democratic process. Students describe the relationship between the arts and the times during which they were created. Students analyze the impact of technological innovations on the American farm and labor movements. This course takes a positive, patriotic approach to American history, bringing to life events and personalities that have shaped our nation placing a special emphasis on our Christian heritage. Important concepts and ideas in history are explored as well as emphasizing the responsibilities that comes with our rights as American citizens.

COURSE GOAL:

A focus for this course is that students would gain a new appreciation for history and would begin to see historical figures as very real people. The student will gain a competent knowledge of events, people, causes, effects, and ideas that have shaped our nation all within the foundation and framework of a Christian heritage.

## COURSE SCRIPTURES:

Psalm 107:1 “Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever. 15 Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men! 43 Whoever is wise will observe these things, and they will understand the loving-kindness of the Lord.”  
Ephesians 2:10 “For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.”  
I Corinthians 10:11 “Now all these things happened to them as examples, and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the age have come.”  
Proverbs 14:34 “Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.”

## TEXTBOOK:

The American Republic Since 1877 by Glencoe/McGraw Hill

## AVAILABILITY:

The teacher is available during conference periods (A3, A4 and B4) and after school by appointment. Please call me to schedule appointments. My home phone number is 898-3716; school-924-0500. My e-mail address is [dsmaxey@legacychristianacademy.org](mailto:dsmaxey@legacychristianacademy.org); [dmaxey@legacychristianacademy.org](mailto:dmaxey@legacychristianacademy.org), or [debra\\_maxey@yahoo.com](mailto:debra_maxey@yahoo.com).

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A-DAY

**Items in red are due dates for papers, projects and tests.**

**Homework is highlighted in blue.** This is the homework assigned for that date, due the next class.

**Assignments are subject to additions and deletions.**

- Introduction; Chapters 6 & 7
- 8/16 **Homework:** Read Chapters 6 & 7(p. 234-265); 1-2 pg. Typed Paper “Who Are My Heroes?” Due: 8/20; Pg. 241: Geography and History--#25 a,b; Pg. 247: World History Connection; Pg. 248: Sec. 1--#3,5,6,7; Pg. 281: Standardized Test Practice
- Chapters 6 & 7
- 8/18 **Homework:** Pg. 255: Sec. 2--#3,4,5; Pg. 263: Sec. 3--#3,4,5; Recruitment Poster: 9/1; Hero Paper Due: 8/20
- Chapters 6 & 7
- 8/20 **Hero Paper Due; Homework:** Chpts. 6 & 7 Worksheets; Pg. 280: Reviewing Key Facts--#25, 26, 27
- Chapters 6 & 7
- 8/24 **Homework:** Chpts. 6 & 7 Worksheets
- Chapters 6 & 7
- 8/26 **Homework:** Chapters 6 & 7 Test: 8/30
- Chapter 7
- 8/30 **Chapters 6 & 7 Test; Homework:** Read Chapter 7(p. 266-279); Pg. 271: Sec. 4— #1,3,4; Pg. 281: Economics and History--#34 a,b; Recruitment Poster Due: 9/1
- Chapter 7
- 9/1 **Recruitment Poster Due; Homework:** Pg. 277: Sec. 5--#1,4,5; American Flag Pledge Test: 9/3
- Chapter 7
- 9/3 **American Flag Pledge Test; Homework:** Chpt. 7 Worksheets
- Chapter 7
- 9/8 **Homework:** Chpt. 7 Worksheets
- Chapter 7
- 9/10 **Homework:** Chapter 7 Test: 9/14

- Chapters 8 & 9  
9/14 **Chapter 7 Test; Homework:** Editorial Due: 9/16; Read Chapter 9(p 314-318)
- Chapters 8 & 9  
9/16 **Editorial Due; Homework:** Read Chapter 8(p. 284-303) & Chapter 9(p 314-318); Chpts. 8 & 9 Worksheets; Assign Cattle Brand: 9/22; Writing Assignment: Railroad Travel: Due: 9/28
- Chapters 8 & 9  
9/20 **Homework:** Pg. 304: Reviewing Key Facts--#14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19; Pg. 305: Standardized Test Practice; Cattle Brand Due: 9/22
- Chapters 8 & 9  
9/22 **Cattle Brand Due; Homework:** Chpts. 8 & 9 Worksheets; American Flag Information Test: 9/24
- Chapters 8 & 9  
9/24 **American Flag Information Test; Homework:** Worksheets; Writing Assignment: Railroad Travel: Due: 9/28
- Chapters 8 & 9  
9/28 **Railroad Travel Writing Assignment Due; Homework:** Chapters 8 & 9 Test: 9/30
- Chapter 9  
9/30 **Chapters 8 & 9 Test; Homework:** Read Chapter 9(p. 306-331); Pg. 312: #1,2,4; Chpt. 9 Worksheets; Assign Invention Commercial: 10/19
- Chapter 9  
10/4 **Homework:** Definition List; Pg. 323: Sec. 3--#3,4,5; Chpt. 9 Worksheets
- Chapter 9  
10/6 **Homework:** Pg. 331: Sec. 4--#1,3,4,5; Chpt. 9 Worksheets; Amendments Test: 10/8
- Chapter 9  
10/8 **Amendments Test; Homework:** Chapter 9 Test: 10/15
- 10/13 **PSAT TESTING**
- Chapter 10  
10/15 **Chapter 9 Test; Homework:** Read Chapter 10(p. 334-358); Invention Commercial: 10/19
- Chapter 10  
10/19 **Invention Commercial; Homework:** Chpt. 10 Worksheets; National Anthem Test: 10/21

- Chapter 10  
10/21 **National Anthem Test; Homework:** Pg. 360: Reviewing Key Facts--#16,17,18,19,20; Pg. 361: Standardized Test Practice
- Chapter 10  
10/25 **Homework:** Chpt. 10 Worksheets
- Chapter 10  
10/27 **Homework:** Pg. 360: Critical Thinking--#21; Pg. 337: Geography Skills--#1,2; Pg. 354: Graph Skills--#1,2; Worksheets
- 10/29 **Homecoming Set Building**
- Chapter 10  
11/2 **Homework:** Chapter 10 Test: 11/4
- Chapter 10  
11/4 **Chapter 10 Test; Homework:** Read Chapter 11(p. 362-384); Chpt. 11 Worksheets; Immigration Activator: 11/8
- Chapter 11  
11/8 **Immigration Activator**
- Chapter 11  
11/10 **Homework:** Chpt. 11 Worksheets
- Chapter 11  
11/12 **Homework:** Disaster Project: 11/16
- Chapter 11  
11/16 **Disaster Project Due; Homework:** Chapter 11 Test: 11/18
- Chapter 12  
11/18 **Chapter 11 Test; Homework:** Read Chapter 12(388-413); Pg. 402: Geography Skills--#1,2; Pg. 409: Graph Skills--#1,2; Pg. 413: Geography and History--22a,b; Pg. 413: Standardized Test Practice; Editorial Due: 11/22
- Chapter 12  
11/22 **Editorial Due; Homework:** Pg. 414: Reviewing Key Facts--#9,10,11,12,13; Critical Thinking--#14
- Chapter 12  
11/29 **Homework:** Chpt. 12 Worksheets
- Chapter 12  
12/1 **Homework:** Chpt. 12 Worksheets; Quotes Test: 12/3

- Chapter 12  
12/3 **Quotes Test; Homework:** Chapter 12 Test: 12/7
- Chapter 13  
12/7 **Chapter 12 Test; Homework:** Read Chapter 13(p. 416-425); Pg. 425: Sec. 1--#3,4,5,6;  
Chpt. 13 Worksheets
- Chapter 13  
12/9 **Homework:** Chapter 13 Test: 12/13
- 12/13 **Chapter 13 Test; Review**
- 12/14 **Semester 1 Exam (Chapters 6-13)**

## Semester 2

- 1/5 **Homework:** Galveston Hurricane: 1½ page paper—"If I Had Been There" Due: 1/7
- 1/7 **"If I Had Been There" Paper Due; Homework:** Spindletop Paper -1½ page paper:  
1/11; Read Chapter 13(p. 427-442); Chpt. 13 Worksheets
- Chapter 13  
1/11 **Spindletop Paper Due; Homework:** Pg. 444: Reviewing Key Facts--#19, 20, 21;  
Geography and History--#31 a,b; Standardized Test Practice; Supreme Court Justices  
Test: 1/13
- Chapter 13  
1/13 **Supreme Court Justices Test; Homework:** Chpt. 13 Test: 1/18
- 1/18 **Chapter 13 Test; Homework:** Read Chapter 14(p. 446-475); Worksheets; WWI  
Projects: 2/9; States & Capitals Test (1-10): 1/20
- 1/20 **States & Capitals Test (1-10); Homework:** Titanic Paper: Due 1/24; States & Capitals  
Test (1-20): 1/28

- Chapter 14  
1/24 **Titanic Paper Due; Homework:** WWI Projects: Due 2/9; Pg. 476: Reviewing Key Facts--#17,18,19,20,21; Standardized Test Practice; Geography and History--#26 a,b
- Chapter 14  
1/26 **Homework:** Chpt. 14 Worksheets; Map Exercises; States & Capitals Test (1-20): 1/28
- Chapter 14  
1/28 **States & Capitals Test (1-20); Homework:** Chpt. 14 Worksheets; States & Capitals Test (1-30): 2/15; Editorial: 2/1
- Chapter 14  
2/1 **Editorial Due; Homework:** Chapter 14 Test: 2/3
- Chapters 15 & 16  
2/3 **Chapter 14 Test; Homework:** Read Chapters 15 & 16(p. 480-524); Chpts. 15 & 16 Worksheets
- Chapters 15 & 16  
2/7 **Homework:** WWI Projects: 2/9
- Chapters 15 & 16  
2/9 **WWI Projects Due; Homework:** Chapters 15 & 16 Test: 2/11
- 2/11 **Chapters 15 & 16 Test; Homework:** Read Chapter 17(p. 528-546); Pg. 537: Geography Skills--#1,2; Pg. 548: Reviewing Key Facts--#17,19,20,21; Standardized Test Practice; States & Capitals Test (1-30): 2/15
- Chapter 17  
2/15 **States & Capitals Test (1-30); Homework:** Chpts. 17 Worksheets; States & Capitals Test (1-40): 3/2
- Chapter 17  
2/17 **Homework:** Chapter 17 Test: 2/24
- 2/22 **College Trip: Juniors**
- 2/24 **Chapter 17 Test; Homework:** Read Chapter 18(p. 550-577); Pg. 578: Reviewing Key Facts-- #11,12,13,14,15; Standardized Test Practice
- Chapter 18  
2/28 **Homework:** Chpt. 18 Worksheets; States & Capitals Test (1-40): 3/2
- Chapter 18  
3/2 **States & Capitals Test (1-40); Homework:** States & Capitals Final: 3/10; Chapter 18 Test: 3/4

- Chapters 19 & 20  
3/4 **Chapter 18 Test; Homework:** Read Chapters 19 & 20(p. 582-649); Pg. 608: Reviewing Key Facts--#12,13,14,16; Standardized Test Practice; Geography and History--#21 a,b; Assign Decades Projects
- Chapters 19 & 20  
3/8 **Homework:** Chpts. 19 & 20 Worksheets; States & Capitals Final: 3/10
- Chapters 19 & 20  
3/10 **States & Capitals Final; Homework:** President's Roles Project: 3/14
- Chapters 19 & 20  
3/14 **President's Roles Project Due; Homework:** Chpts. 19 & 20 Worksheets
- Chapters 19 & 20  
3/16 **Homework:** Pg. 650: Reviewing Key Facts--#15,17,18,19,20,22,23
- 3/18 **Ministry Day**
- Chapters 19 & 20  
3/29 Holocaust Video
- 3/30 **Houston Holocaust Museum Field Trip**
- Chapters 19 & 20  
3/31 **Homework:** President's Cabinet Test: 4/4
- Chapters 19 & 20  
4/4 **President's Cabinet Test; Homework:** Chapters 19 & 20 Test: 4/6
- Chapters 19 & 20  
4/6 **Homework:** Chapters 19 & 20 Test: 4/8
- The 50s  
4/8 **Chapters 19 & 20 Test; Homework:** Read Chapters 21 & 22(p. 652-710); 50s Worksheets; Preamble Test: 4/12
- The 50s  
4/12 **Preamble Test; Homework:** Project Work; Editorial Due: 4/14
- The 50s  
4/14 **Editorial Due; Homework:** 50s Worksheets; 50s Decade Project Due: 4/18
- The 50s  
4/18 **50s Decade Project Due; Homework:** 50s Test: 4/20

- The 60s  
4/20 **50s Test; Homework:** Read Chapters 23 & 24(p. 716-766); 60s Worksheets
- The 60s  
4/26 **Homework:** 60s Worksheets; 60s Decade Project Due: 4/28
- The 60s  
4/28 **60s Decade Project Due; Homework:** 60s Test: 5/2
- The 70s  
5/2 **60s Test; Homework:** Read Chapters 25 & 26(p. 770-825); 70s Worksheets;  
70s Decade Project Due: 5/4
- The 70s  
5/4 **70s Decade Project Due; Homework:** 70s Test: 5/6
- The 70s  
5/6 **70s Test; Homework:** Read Chapters 27 & 28(p. 830-887); 80s Worksheets;  
80s Decade Project Due: 5/10
- The 80s  
5/10 **80s Decade Project Due; Homework:** 80s Test: 5/12
- The 80s  
5/12 **80s Test; Homework:** Read Chapter 29(p. 890-917); 90s Worksheets; 90s Decade  
Project Due: 5/16
- The 90s  
5/16 **90s Decade Project Due; Homework:** 90s Test: 5/18
- The 90s  
5/18 **90s Test;** Review
- 5/20 Honor Guards Video
- 5/23 **Semester 2 Exam (Chapters 13-20; 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s)**