**AMERICAN HISTORY 1**

**COURSE OUTLINE**

**"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."- Nelson Mandela**

**Mrs. Edwards** **Room:** L-1

**Email: karal.edwards@cms.k12.nc.us Afterschool Hours:** Monday & Thursday 2:30-3:30pm

& other days by appointment

**Class website: www.edwardsamerican1.weebly.com**

**MY CLASS VISION**

My vision for American 1 includes a classroom where students analyze the past and connect it to the present. This means our class will have a strong focus on forming writing and critical thinking skills, as well as, examining our society’s most persistent issues. This class is not just about passing tests, but about recognizing the connection we all have to the men and women than came before us.

**REQUIRED MATERIALS FOR CLASS**

* Spiral notebook
* Pen (blue or black) or Pencil

Organization is crucial in the academic setting. It is your responsibility to keep up with all notes/activities completed in class. All activities completed need to be kept as they will assist you in preparing for the NCFE at the end of the year.

**WHAT ARE ALL OF THE INTERESTING THINGS WE ARE GOING TO BE LEARNING?!**

Unit 1: Foundations to 1733 (~1492-1733)

Unit 2: An Era of Conflict (1733-1781)

Unit 3: A New Government is Born (1781-1790)

Unit 4: An Emerging Nation (1789-1820)

Unit 5: The Age of Jackson (1820-1850)

Unit 6: Internal Struggle of a Nation (1850-1877)

***North Carolina Final Examination (NCFE): Units 1-6***

**ATTENDANCE AND LATE WORK**

Makeup work is YOUR responsibility. All makeup work will be located on the class website. Students should copy the missed notes from a classmate during the warm up or after school. NOTHING ELSE SHOULD BE COPIED FROM A CLASSMATE BESIDES NOTES.

For a late assignment, the highest grade you can receive is a 79%.

No late work will be accepted after the quarter ends.

**EVALUATION**

Below is how your grade will be calculated for this class:

* Formal Assignments: 70%
* Informal Assignments: 30%
* A NC Final Exam will be given at the end of the year.

**NOTE: You need this class to graduate from high school; therefore, failing to pass this class will result in retaking American 1.**

**CLASSROOM RULES, EXPECTATIONS, & CONSEQUENCES**

Students will abide by all NMHS rules. In addition, students should abide by my classroom rules:

1. **Follow all directions the first time they are given.**
2. **Raise your hand and wait for permission to speak.**
3. **Stay in your assigned seat unless you have permission to do otherwise.**
4. **Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself.**
5. **Use positive, school appropriate language.**

Failure to abide by my classroom rules will result in disciplinary action. **Disciplinary actions include, but are not limited to: warning, one on one conference, time out in another classroom with reflection sheet, parent contact, and referral to administration.**

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