**Instructor**: Janet Klein **Course Length:** 1 year (2 Semesters)

**Conference:** Fifth Period **Tutorials:** TBA

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**Course Description**

The purpose of World History is to give the student an understanding of the changing world in which he or she lives through an examination of world cultures and their problems and achievements from earliest times.  Major concentration is on those movements, events, and forces which have shaped the modern world.

The goal of Pre AP is to prepare the student for success in future AP courses and toward earning a qualifying score on College Board AP Exams.

**Expectations**

My responsibilities **as your teacher** are to:

(1) provide you with the information you need to be successful;

(2) provide a safe environment for you to learn; and

(3) show courtesy and respect to my students.

Your responsibilities **as a student** are to:

(1) be on time and prepared for class;

(2) show courtesy and respect to your fellow students and your teacher; and

(3) work hard and don’t give up!

***All school policies and expectations will be followed in class.***

**History Fair**

As a student enrolled in a Social Studies Pre-AP class, you will be required to participate in History Fair. This means you will enter a project/paper in the History Fair. We take great pride in this, as many Dickinson High School Students advance to State Competition every year. You will receive more information in September, but the tentative dates for History Fair this year are:

History Fair Informational Meeting, Baytown TBD

DHS History Fair                                                                        November 2020   
Regional History Fair - Lee College, Baytown, TX                 February 2021  
State History Fair - Austin, Texas                                              April 2021

**Grades:**

Your final grade is based on your capacity to demonstrate your ability to perform the objectives and required skills for each unit. You will be assessed based on value points on the basis of unit exams, essays and DBQ’s, worksheets, projects, quizzes, notebooks, research papers & presentations, group presentations, group projects, cases studies, simulations and **homework** **assignments**.

Daily Work (daily grades, quizzes, homework, etc.) 40%

Tests (unit tests, projects, CBAs) 60%

**Homework and Late Work:**

Any work turned in one day late will have 20 points deducted, meaning the highest grade on an assignment is an 80. Two days late, 40 points; 3-5 days late, 50 points. Late work **will not** be accepted after five days (unless previous arrangements have been made) and a zero will be recorded for the grade. The weekend counts as a day!!

**Make Up Work** – If you are absent from a class for any reason, you are responsible for the material discussed in class. You must return your missed assignment within **three days** of your return. Being absent from class does not excuse you from doing the assignment. This includes tests and projects. Any work due when you are absent will be due upon your return.

**Required Materials:**

To succeed in this course, you will need a Pen (Blue or Black) or Pencil **EVERY DAY,** a bound single subject spiral notebook or notebook paper for note taking, a 2” binder for our Book of Knowledge, and an academic planner. You will also need a box of colored/map pencils for your use since we cannot share a class set this year.

Finally, I ask that each student bring either a bottle of hand sanitizer or 1 box of tissues for our classroom supply closet.

**Special Notes:**

Please be on time to class and be in **dress code wearing your student ID**!

Also, **electronic devices** need to be turned off and put away during my class. If I see any electronic devices in use, I will confiscate them for the duration of class. They will be returned at the end of class.

**Parents, please feel free to contact me anytime if you have questions.  My e-mail and phone number are provided at the top of this syllabus.**

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