# **AP European History** Parent Information Newsletter

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Welcome! The AP course is a course with weighted credit. The final exam at the end of the semester counts 20% and is required if there is a NC Final. If the exam is teacher made then students may be exempt per local policy. The AP exam is required and if students take the exam and score 3 or better, they could earn college credit for Western Civilizations. Due to the AP nature and weighted credit for these courses, it is expected that students will turn in their assignments on time, complete work at home as required, read the text and write regularly. This is a college level course. Work is expected to be cited correctly.

#### Necessary Supplies:

- 3-ring binder (no smaller than 2 inches)
- Notebook paper
- Flash drive
- o Ear buds
- Pen and/or pencil (use **only** blue or black ink or pencil for assignments to be turned in to me)
- Laptop (expected to be brought to class daily).

# Classroom Guidelines

Adherence to the following guidelines will insure a safe and enjoyable year for everyone.

- Do not talk while I am talking.
- Be on time and in your seat when the tardy bell rings.
- Always bring materials to class ready to learn and participate.
- Respect the rights and property of others.
- Food or drink will be allowed in class in original containers and when laptops are not in use.
- No gum will be allowed in class.
- No cell phones are allowed in class. If used in class they will be collected.
- All other school policies apply including the dress code.

**DISCIPLINE:** For any disciplinary problem, be prepared for any of the following: break detention, loss of privileges, parental notification, after school detention, lunch detention, ISS referral to the office, etc.

# Grading

The statewide grading scale is as follows:

- A 90 100
- B 80 89
- C 70 79
- D 60 69
- F 59 and below

A student's class grade will be determined as follows: 1.Class Assignments 20%

- 2. Final Exam: Counts 20% of your final grade
- 3.Tests and projects count 50%
- 4.Writing: DBQ's and FRQ's: 30%

# **Progress Reports**

Interim reports will be given to all students at the midpoint of each semester. Interim reports will be sent home periodically throughout the semester in addition to the dates listed above. Interim reports are to be signed by a parent and returned to the teacher. Grades can be accessed online through Power Schools.

# Attendance

**ABSENCES**: Students are required to bring a note excusing their absence to the office when they return to class. *If a student checks in after missing the class, it is their responsibility to come by and see* 

what they missed and turn in what is due. If a student checks out before class, the same applies. A student is allowed 6 absences for the term. Any absence beyond 6 could result in a loss of credit in the course. All work must be made up for any absence. Three tardies to class could result in assigned after school, Saturday or lunch detention. If a student misses more than six days, he/she will lose credit for the course unless an appeal is filed and granted by the attendance committee.

#### Tolerance

The history curriculum requires the study of people with diverse cultures, viewpoints and religions. Discrimination and derogatory comments will not be tolerated. All students are expected to show respect to others, regardless of their race, ethnicity, sex, national origins, religious and cultural beliefs.

#### Internet Access

Internet access is necessary for this class. Online assignments such as blogging, responses to primary sources and class discussions are part of this course. Assignments will be posted on Edmodo, Edublogs and the class Weebly. Internet access after school hours is a must. If you have a problem with this, you will need to access the internet at school either before or after school.

#### Other

- On average, the class will progress through one AP European unit every week. Tests will generally be multiple-choice with 50-75 questions. Tests will include content from several chapters and objectives. Tests will also include questions from previous goals and content already taught. Tests will mirror the AP format and have free response and document based questions.
- Students will be assigned a textbook for use at home which must be returned at the end of the course.
- Tests, class assignments and due dates for major projects will be updated on the teacher's website: <u>www.greenehistorynow.weebly.com</u> or <u>www.edmodo.com/greenemi</u> Parents, you may receive a code to access your student's Edmodo account to keep track of their progress and assignments.
- Studying goal packets as the course progresses will improve overall student performance.
  - Some homework assignments will be online.
  - Students are only allowed to use their laptops in class as prescribed by the teacher.
  - Students are strongly encouraged to use Learnerator and other review sites to prepare for exams.
- Students will be assigned a textbook. It is expected that students will read the text.

#### Academic Integrity Policy

Wilkes County Schools has an academic integrity policy. It is important that students and parents are familiar with this new policy. Students must turn in their own original work and if other sources are used, they must be cited.

#### AP U.S. History

# Due dates TBA

Projects: Research Project

Book Projects

Interview Projects Topical Project

Other projects will be assigned throughout the year.Students cannot be exempt from the final exam.

#### Contact

I can be contacted during my planning period: 7:45-9:20am daily. I can also be reached by email: <u>greenemi@wilkes.k12.nc.us</u> Additionally, important dates, class information and assignments can be found on my Weebly and Edmodo pages which are updated weekly.

**Signatures:** By signing this you acknowledge that you have read and understand the content of this document.

Parent/Guardian:	Date:	