Department: History
Course Name: World History I

Course Description:
This course will cover the development of the major civilizations of our world. The course will focus on the political, cultural, and religious aspects of the major civilizations found in Asia, Africa, Europe, and the Americas from prehistory through the Late Middle Ages. The growth and development of each will be studied to show comparisons and differences among the cultures. This focus will allow students to experience the growth of man and man's interaction with each other in the hope of better understanding the complex world in which we live. This course is required of all ninth graders.

Content:
Pre-history
Mesopotamian Civilizations
Ancient Egypt
Indus Civilizations
Ancient China
Mesoamerica
Classical Greece
Roman Republic
Roman Empire
The Early Middle Ages
Medieval Europe
Nation states of Europe

Skills:
Analyze maps, graphs, and compiled data
Learn to make group presentations
Create Keynote presentations
Write short answer responses and essays
Improve note taking skills
Learn to use Zoom for online learning and e-mail for assignments.
Develop critical thinking skills and rational thinking as they pertain to historical events.
Learn how to search and find pertinent information online
Produce a research paper using and including primary documents
Interpret articles from historical magazines and journals

Text and Materials:
Spielvogel, Jackson World History and Geography (McGraw Hill , 2018)
Hanawalt, Barbara A.   The Middle Ages (Oxford University Press, 1998)
Hanzhang, Gen. Tao, Sun Tsu's Art of War (Sterling publishing co.1987)
Internet Ancient History Sourcebook   http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/ancient/asbook.asp
Perry, Marvin, Sources of the Western Tradition (Houghton Mifflin co. 6th ed.2006)
Scarre, Chris, Chronicles of the Roman Emperors   (Thames and Hudson   1995)
Vegetius Flavius, The Military Institutions of the Romans   (Greenwood Press 1985)
Various DVD's from the library
Worksheets, maps, graphs

Methods of Instruction:
iPad Apps (Jamboard, Flipgrid, Kahoot….)
iPad reading and Apps
Lecture
Discussion
Group work
Presentations
Simulations
Zoom (remote learning)

Methods of Evaluation:
Group projects
Oral reports
Graded discussions
Tests (traditional and online)
Reading quizzes
Homework
Research paper
Classroom trial