Home School Partners Course Guide – HST 223 (U. S. History II)

Course Description

This course is a study of United States history from post-Reconstruction to the present. Students also com-plete a study of primary source documents, answering in MLA format 29 questions on American primary source document readings totaling approximately 20,000 words.

Required Text:

*The Politically Incorrect Guide to U. S. History*, Dr. Thomas Woods

Content (List of Principal Topics):

Unit 1: Post-Reconstruction, “Big business”

Unit 2: WWI

Unit 3: The 1920s

Unit 4: The Great Depression

Unit 5: The New Deal

Unit 6: WWII, the Cold War

Unit 7: Civil rights, JFK, LBJ, Reagan and the 1980s

Unit 8: The Clinton, Bush, Obama, and Trump presidencies

Other Content:

American History-related audio-visuals, including news/historical film clips, primary source documents, print articles, podcasts, filmed lectures, radio addresses, paintings, and photographs

Course Learning Outcomes:

1. Evaluate historical sources.
2. Research U. S. history topics and prepare to discuss them in class.
3. Demonstrate understanding of various U. S. historical events, persons, and movements.
4. Think critically about U. S. history and apply critical thinking to other subjects.
5. Communicate effectively orally and in writing about U. S. history topics.
6. Demonstrate understanding of constitutional amendments and their impact.
7. Work in groups to produce solutions and answers to topical questions, and communicate those ideas in writing and orally.
8. Obtain a picture of God’s working through events in U. S. history.

**Grading scale:**

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| 90-100% | A |
| 80-89.99% | B |
| 70-79.99% | C |
| 60-69.99% | D |
| 0-59.99% | F |