

"It's supposed to be hard! If it wasn't hard, everyone would do it. The hard is what makes it great!"

WH9H is a **freshman** honors World History course designed to prepare students for success in **Advanced Placement European History** during their sophomore year. In this course, students will be provided with the opportunity to acquire the skills necessary to become:
- responsible citizens - academic achievers - self-disciplined individuals - effective problem-solvers

Classroom Expectations

- Responsibility: Responsibility is the key to success, and the remedy for failure. No excuses - ever!
Respect: Respect the person and property of everyone around you.
Right: Right action, right effort, right speech, and right thought.

"Be proud of everything you do, for what you do and how you do it tells others who you are."

- NO food, drink, or gum. Water, and only water, is always ok.
Cell phones, iPods, or other "toys" may not be used in class.
Hall Passes: 2 per semester.
Letters of recommendation will only be given to students who earn a minimum grade of B- (80%) or better.
All students will be expected to participate in interactive group activities throughout the year.
The Los Amigos cheating policy will be strictly enforced - no exceptions!

Grades

Table with 6 columns: Grade, Percentage, Interactive Notebook, Group Presentation, Quizzes, Unit I Exam, Unit II, III, and IV Exams, Semester Final Exam.

"Study, study, study! And when you're done studying, study some more!"

- A passing grade (C-) must be earned during first semester to continue in the honors history program in the second semester.
Extra credit may be earned by attending "After-School Theater/History" sessions: 1 hour = 10 pts.
Extra credit may only be earned by students with a minimum grade of 60% (D-).

"I don't give you your grades - YOU earn them!"

The Interactive Notebook

- Detailed instructions on how to create your WH9H interactive notebook will begin on Monday, 12 September.
You will have notebook homework almost every school night of the year.
Late work will only be accepted up to Friday of the week it was due - and only for 1/2 credit.
No credit will be given for incomplete or sloppy work. Neatness, spelling, and grammar ALWAYS count!
Assignments are always due at the start of your period.

Testing

- Quizzes: Weekly monday quizzes will cover all lessons from the previous week.
Exams: All exams will include at least 50 multiple-choice questions; some may include a writing portion.
Finals: Finals are cumulative for each semester.

Contract: DUE MONDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER 2011

By signing, I acknowledge my understanding that Los Amigos High School's WH9H/AP European History program is an intense, two-year program of advanced academic study. I understand this class will require at least 1 hour of homework almost every school night.

Print Student's Name Student's Signature Parent/Guardian's Signature

"Who on Earth do you think you are? A superstar? Well, right you are?"

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MATERIALS NEEDED FOR WH9H: DUE MONDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER 2011

- 1 Spiral Notebook: at least 100 pages, College Ruled, three-hole-punched, 8 1/2 x 11 in.
1 Three-Ring Binder: at least 1.5 inches wide, with cover page and binder slips
1 set of colored pencils
3 different colored highlighters
blue and black ball-point pens (not felt tipped)
pencils
a ruler
a small pair of scissors
a small bottle of elmer's glue