

US History 3**Course Description:**

This course will investigate the history of the United States from World War II to the present. Students will be able to identify significant people and events. Students will analyze primary and secondary source documents that have shaped America's modern era.

In United States History 3, you will understand: the causes and effects of World War II, the Cold War domestic and foreign policies, the Civil Rights Movement, the challenges of the 1970s, the successes and failures of the economic policies of the 1980s and 1990s, and the challenges and benefits of living in a globalized 21st Century.

Attendance: Students are required to be in school every day. Students are responsible for communicating with their teachers to make up missed learning. Extra copies of Learning Sheets are on the in room for you to come up and grab. All other materials are in Canvas, unless specifically specified.

Essential Skills:

1. I can research historical events and understand how those events impact my life today.
2. I can analyze both sides of a historical event and how analyzing current events is important for figuring out the truth.
3. I can explain verbally and/or through written important historical concepts and insights and how it applies to my life today.

Course Expectations: Although not everything is graded, everything is important. In order to demonstrate growth and learning, students will need to:

1. Participate in class activities (take notes, work in a group, complete in-class tasks, ask questions) without distractions (cell phones, ear buds, games, etc.)
2. Use morning time and teacher to seek help outside of class when needed.
3. Complete all assessments within teacher timelines.
4. Be respectful to the following:
 1. Yourself
 2. Others
 3. This class
 4. Your education

Grading

Learning (Practice) includes instructional activities in and outside of class and are not used in grade determination. Most learning sheets are not graded but can be used on assessments.

Skyward Assessment (Grades) may include quizzes, tests, speeches, Learning sheets if an assessment is not given for the unit, or projects.

Calculations:

Course Grade	
Semester Grade based on points earned/points possible	100%

Final Grade	
A	100% - 90%
B	80% - 89%
C	70% - 79%
D	60% - 69%
F	0% - 59%

Rapid City Alternative Academy Courses:

- Will determine grades based on student learning and growth.
- Will not include practice and behavior in grade determination.
- Will give all students regardless of absence an opportunity to demonstrate learning.
- Will not include extra credit.

Instructional Resources:

United States History by Pearson