Greek & Roman History Syllabus

Instructor Information:
Mr. Kyler Wooldridge
Email: kwooldridge@spxkc.org
Room: 152
Plan Period: 6th Hour

Class Overview

- This class will cover the history of the Classical World, with an emphasis on the civilizations of Greece & Rome. These two civilizations created the foundation for the Western civilization that we live in today. Therefore understanding these classical civilizations can bring context to our society and culture in ways that we don’t always appreciate while living our day to day lives.
- 1st 8 Weeks: Greece
    - Midterm test over Greece at the end of the first 8 weeks
    - Two projects will be completed over topics related to Ancient Greece
- 2nd 8 Weeks: Rome
    - Final test over Rome at the end of the second 8 weeks.
    - Two Projects will be completed over topics related to Ancient Rome

Class Expectations:

- Students will treat their fellow students and their teachers with respect. Students will treat everyone in the room as they would want to be treated. **Matthew 7:12, Matthew 22: 37-39, Matthew 5:43-48.**
- Students will be good, active listeners to their peers and their teacher. This especially means not talking when others are addressing the room.
- Students will participate in class activities and work with each other when necessary. Students will need to be able to work with all other students in their class.
- Students will need to bring the following items to class EVERY DAY:
    - Pen or pencil
    - Notebook (for this class only)
    - Folder or binder (for this class only)
    - St. Pius X Planner
    - Students may be asked to bring other supplies from time to time for various activities and projects.
- Tardiness is not allowed & will result in a demerit.
- Use of cellphones is prohibited within the classroom.
- No food or drink is allowed in the classroom (except water)
- Chromebooks are only to be used during class for schoolwork & at the teacher’s direction.
- The teacher’s desk and chair are off limits to students
- ***All other expectations outlined in the student handbook***

Class Information

- Students will be expected to take notes, complete worksheets and other similar homework assignments.
- About once a week, there will be an article or reading packet sent home with a list of discussion questions. On most Tuesdays, we will have a seminar session in which the students will discuss the reading assignment by asking and answering questions with their fellow students. Students will receive a grade based on how well they participated in the discussion.
- Starting in September, this class will have a review quiz about every two weeks.
- There will be two tests in this class, a midterm over Ancient Greek and a final over Ancient Rome. The midterms and finals will be each worth between 15-20% of your final grade.
- During the course of this class, students will be expected to complete 4 individual projects. Two of those projects will be completed during the Greece portion (first 8 weeks) and two will be completed during the Rome portion (second 8 weeks).
- One of those projects can be completed as a slideshow, Canva, or powerpoint presentation. The other three need to involve creating a visual aid that is not one of these methods. This can be a poster, diorama, model, video, podcast, or other method. I will give you a list of possible topics when we get to our first project, but I am open to your ideas so long as they fit under the Greece or Rome umbrella. Each project is worth about 10% of your grade.
- Each class will have a Google Classroom page, whose login has been provided for the students. Major assignments will always be posted on the Google Classroom page.
- Students are required to follow all St. Pius X expectations relating to academic performance, behavior, and attendance. Consult the handbook for specific policies.
- Students will have 1 day to make up assignments for every day they are gone. Each day an assignment is late, that assignment will be docked 10% of its grade. Once an assignment is a week late, it cannot be turned in for more than 50% credit.
- Any assignment in which a student is found to have submitted work that was not their own, either created by another student or copied directly from the internet or another source will be considered cheating and receive a 0.
- The use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) for any assignment in which the use of AI is not explicitly allowed by the teacher will be considered cheating and will receive a 0.