

# Montana/Western Studies

**Instructor: Mr. Bausch**

Welcome to Montana/Western Studies. In this semester long class students will examine the literature, history, geography, economics, and other cultural attributes of the American West. This course is designed to help students understand important Western issues and events that took place between 1800 and 1900. The class will study important historical events and issues that happened west of the Mississippi with a big emphasis on events from Montana history. Students will study the early Native American cultures in the west from this time period, as well as the impact that White Americans had on this land.

## **The Texts:**

**Montana; A History of Two Centuries** by Michael Malone

**It Happened In Montana** by James A. Crutchfield

**Undaunted Courage** by Stephen Ambrose

**Homeland** by Larry Lahren

**Montana, Stories of the Land** by Krys Holmes

**Lewis and Clark Expedition** by Barbara Fifer

**Tailor Made, Trail Worn** by Robert J. Moore, Jr. and Michael Haynes

## **What you will need for class each day**

You will need to bring your three-ringed binder, with paper that will be used as your notebook. Taking good notes in this class is a must. I will teach you how I want your notebook to be organized.

-pencil, pen, no red please!

-always bring your textbook to class (covered)

## **Basic Classroom Rules**

-Take care of your desk area; keep it clean with no writing on the desk, or walls. If you have garbage or see garbage near you throw it in the garbage can at the front of the class.

-No food or beverage allowed in this classroom other than water.

-Please stay out of my desk area.

-The back door of my classroom is considered the wall. Don't open the door, or try to come in or go out. Use only the front door.

-Always sit in your assigned seat.

-Horseplay in this classroom will never be tolerated.

-Bathroom privileges: There are none! Don't ask to use the restroom.

-No I-Pods, or Cell phones allowed in class. (It's simple: I see, I hear, I take, thank you)

-No Hats! I won't ask you to take it off, just to surrender it to me.

-Fire exit procedure

## **Attendance / Tardies**

-If you are absent, it is your responsibility to get your make-up work from me or your classmates. Remember you have as many days to get your work turned in as you missed.

-You can't learn if you're not in class. A word to the wise is to not miss much school.

-Don't be tardy! If you are tardy you are going to lose -10 points for each tardy, and if you get three tardies will be referred for detention.

### Class Attitude

-Show respect to your classmates and me. I'll do the same to you.

-Always come to class prepared, and ready to work.

-Complete your assignments, and prepare for all of your tests.

-Don't take anything for granted. Be responsible for your actions

-Cheating will not be tolerated. I will follow the schools handbook code if you are caught.

-This class can be as fun and as interesting as you want to make it. Come to class with a positive attitude.

-Whining is not an option, if you don't like some aspect of class please keep it to yourself. I will be glad to discuss the problem with you later. Bad attitudes only ruin everyone's chances to learn. They will not be tolerated in this class.

-Don't get in the way of learning.

### My Thoughts

*My job is to teach history to you, and to help you learn it. I will be prepared for each class so that you have the best chance possible to do just that. Give me a chance to accomplish this major task.*

*I'll try to be as fair as possible with everyone. If for some reason you don't think that I have been, come and see me. I will listen to your side of the issue, and hopefully we can resolve the issue.*

*If you need to talk to me about anything??? I am approachable before school, my lunch time, during my preps, and after school if you can catch me. Since I coach several sports after school is a tough time to find me. I am at school most mornings before 7:30 a.m. to help you.*

### Commonly Asked Questions From Students?

What do I need this class for anyway?

I'll never use this history stuff ever again will I?

Why do we have to take this class?

Do I need this class to graduate?

Would you really flunk me even if I'm a cool kid?

**DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS THAT I CAN HELP YOU ANSWER?**

## Indian Studies Class

### Class Expectations for first day

***Mr. Bausch***

Welcome to Indian Studies class. During this semester long class students will learn where the first Americans came from. We will discuss how these people were able to develop into a very complex group that would dominate the North American continent. Then we will bring in the first white men and learn how they co-existed and changed the lives of the early Native Americans. As we progress through the semester we will discuss and study some of the early Indian wars in the Montana region in order to understand causes of distrust between white Americans and the Native Americans. Then we will shift into a modern study of Montana Indian tribes to help us understand current issues and dilemmas that these people face today.

**-Materials you will need for class:** (3 ringed binder for notebook, paper, pen or pencil to write with.)

**-Basic Classroom Rules:**

- a. No writing on desks, chairs, walls....report to me if you see any writing on your desk.
- b. Horseplay in the classroom will not be tolerated; it tells me you want extra work.
- c. Show respect and manors to anyone presenting information to the class.
- d. Stay out of my desk area.
- e. No food in the classroom, I will allow drinks if they are in a container with a lid.
- f. Make up work is your responsibility.
- g. Stay in assigned seats.
- h. Keep the area around your desk clean, use the garbage can in the front of the room.
- i. No hats or cell phones allowed in the classroom.

**-Bathroom privileges: There aren't any!!! Don't ask.**

**-Attendance / Tardy policy**

**-The class itself:**

- a. Be prepared to work
- b. Participate in all phases of the class, try to understand the information
- c. complete your assignments
- d. Prepare for tests
- e. Don't take anything for granted; be responsible for your actions.
- f. You must keep a great notebook in this class to be organized, and ready for quizzes.

You must use a journal / Index and the proper procedure that I show you for the notebook.

**-Book Care:**

You are expected to read, bring to class, and be careful with books that I check out to you. You will only have a couple of books for short intervals during the semester to use.

**-Fire Drill and exit procedure.**

-This class can be fun and interesting if you want it to be. Whining is not an option. If you don't like some aspect of the class please keep it to yourself, come and see about your issue. I will be glad to discuss the problem with you later.

-If you need help or need to see me about anything I am always available before school, or lunch, or my preps. After school it is normally difficult to find me.

**-Any Questions?????**

# United States History

Class Expectations / Open Disclosure

**MR. BAUSCH**

*Welcome to U.S. History. During this class we will start with the early European desires to explore and then their movement to the Western Hemisphere. We then learn how the United States came into existence, follow the growth of this country for the next 200 plus years. We will study the geography, history, politics, economics and important events that shaped our country. During this year long class students will learn to appreciate and understand some of the many famous American personalities, and the sacrifices that were made for this country.*

1. MATERIALS FOR CLASS: (3 ringed binder for notebook, paper, pen, or pencil, and your textbook always covered!)
  
2. CLASS ROOM RULES:
  - a. No writing on desks, chairs, walls (report writing on your desk)
  - b. Horseplay in the classroom will not be tolerated ever.
  - c. Noise during a lecture or work time shows me you need work.
  - d. Stay out of my desk area.
  - e. No food in the classroom. This is the student handbook.
  - f. Make up work is your responsibility.
  - g. Stay in assigned seats.
  - h. Cheating/Plagiarizing--copying homework or eyes wandering will = a big fat "0".
  - i. Keep area around your desk clean, use the garbage can in front.
  - j. NO hats allowed in my classroom.
  - k. NO cell phones allowed in my classroom. They will be mine if I see or hear them.

3. BATHROOM PRIVILEGES: There aren't any!!! Don't ask

4. Attendance/Tardies

- a. Always show absence slip to teacher. I shouldn't need to ask.
- b. Don't be tardy! You should be in your seat at the bell.  
Without a pass, it will cost you -10 points per tardy.

5. THE CLASS ITSELF:

- a. Be prepared to work.
- b. Participate in all classes, try to understand the information.
- c. Complete your assignments
- d. Prepare for tests
- e. Don't take anything for granted, be responsible for your actions.
- f. All students must keep and organized notebook. I will show you what I expect. (Notebook Journal / Index is used)
- g. If you are having problems understanding the information come see in the morning before school. I will help you get organized.

6. BOOK CARE: Keep them covered at all times, treat them with care.

7. *THIS CLASS CAN BE FUN IF YOU WANT IT TO BE. WHINING IS NOT AN OPTION. IF YOU DON'T LIKE SOMETHING ABOUT THE CLASS PLEASE KEEP IT TO YOURSELF. I WILL BE GLAD TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEM WITH YOU LATER.*

8. *IF YOU NEED TO SEE OR TALK TO ME ABOUT ANYTHING I AM ALWAYS AVAILABLE BEFORE SCHOOL.*

9. HOW TO EXIT THIS CLASSROOM IN THE CASE OF A FIRE ALARM?  
(I will show you the proper procedure.)

10. Basket near the window is for unreturned homework assignments if you weren't in class to get them when I passed them back.