

CLASSROOM RULES



1. Please be respectful to the people in this classroom (including yourself), their property, and their individual perspectives.
2. Bring all of your needed materials to class and be ready to work when the bell rings.
3. Please, no food or drink (other than bottled water).
4. All cell phones will be placed in the cell phone garage before class to insure that we have an educational experience for our time together.
5. Cheating is not only morally wrong, it can be devastating to your grades, school wide. You will receive a zero on the assignment, no questions asked.

CURRENT EVENTS

Throughout the school year, students will be required to complete a current event assignment. These have pre-determined dates and cannot be turned in late.

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| 8-28 | 9-11 | 9-25 | 10-9 |
| 10-30 | 11-13 | 12-4 | |



COVID ADJUSTMENTS

This is going to be a crazy year. Our goal in Colorado Studies is for you to gain a deeper understanding of your state while keeping everybody safe. Lots of things can change, so expect things to not go according to plan. In the meantime, here are some of the adjustments that will be made as a result of the worldwide pandemic.

- Most assignments will be turned in via Schoology, as we will be trying to limit the use of paper this year. You can access Schoology with the same login information you use to check your grades.
- Assignments will be due at 10 p.m., regardless of whether you were given work time at school or at home remotely. (This is a Greeley West policy.)
- Students will be required to bring their own map-making materials, including colored pencils and markers. The map will be provided for you.
- Students and teachers will all be patient with one another as we navigate masks, online learning, in-person learning, and the D6 protocols together.
- Expect change and Win The Day.

COVER SHEET

2020-2021 COLORADO STUDIES MR. DAVID FALTER



Text: *A Colorado History*. Ubbelohde, Benson, Smith, Pruett Publishing.

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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THIS CLASS

COURSE OBJECTIVES

The learner will demonstrate proficiency in the following areas:

1. Environmental and Geographic Impact
2. Economic Influences
3. Cultural Influences
4. Chronological State Development
5. State Location/Awareness
6. Community Development
7. Political Influences



INSTRUCTION METHODS

This class incorporates the WICOR method embraced by the AVID curriculum. Writing, inquiry, collaboration and reading will be used in all group activities, discussions, reading/writing assignments, video and lecture. (Be prepared to speak up and share your thoughts.)

ATTENDANCE POLICY

The District 6 attendance policy, as explained in the student handbook, will be followed. Statistics show the more you're in class, the better chance you have for success. Make it a point to be in class each and every day, you WILL see results.

TARDY POLICY

If you're tardy, you're interrupting the learning of others and hurting your own chances of success. Being late is also a sign of disrespect for your teacher, your classmates, and Greeley West's learning environment. No credit will be given for missed activities as a result of being late. Repeated tardiness may result in phone calls to parents and a referral to an administrator.



GRADING

This class operates on a total points system. Late assignments can only be turned in within the week, and will only count for 50 percent. **No extra credit will be offered, so please don't ask.**

The grading scale is:

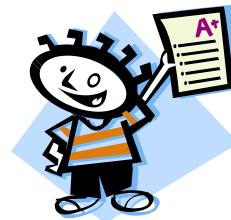
90-100 = A

80-89 = B

70-79 = C

60-69 = D

0-59 = F



Project-Based Learning

We will do a few major projects, that is, assignments that take a significant amount of class time and outside of class time.



These may include, but are not limited to a map of Colorado, a Greelopoly game board, a mountain man trial, a research project on minerals and mines, and a powerpoint presentation about a historical person in Colorado. Please do a good job on these projects. **Major projects will be given a due date in advance and are not typical assignments. Therefore, such projects will be due before an excused absence and cannot be turned in late.**

Tests

There will also be a final cumulative test at the end of the semester per school policy.

Interactive Notebook

Students will keep an interactive notebook throughout the semester as a way of processing their accomplishments in class. The notebook will serve as storage for completed assignments, regular class notes, and reflections. It will also be graded periodically. **ALWAYS** bring your notebook to class. It is the most important material for this class.