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2026-2027

Course Title: History 30s

Teacher: Mr. Behrmann

DESCRIPTION

The intent of this course is to examine the historical development of Canada, with a focus on its political history. Yet, this is not only a course about political change, but also a course about ordinary people -- how they lived and came to shape the modern Canada we all know today. Throughout the semester, students learn to use six different historical thinking concepts and apply them to the course material. Using these concepts enables students to become actively engaged, critical thinkers within the field of history.

Topics:

The Six Historical Thinking Concepts

Cluster 1- First Peoples, First Nations, and New France

Cluster 2- British North America

Cluster 3- Becoming a Sovereign Nation

Cluster 4- Achievements and Challenges

Cluster 5- Defining Contemporary Canada June 16-20: \

Exam preparation period



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General Expectations:

1. Arrive on time and be prepared to work, as you will not be allowed to go back to your locker.
2. If you are late, enter the room as quietly as possible so as not to disturb those who took the time to arrive on time. Chances are, we have already begun the class. Before the class ends, it is the students' responsibility to report in for attendance if they are not present for the initial roll call.
3. Respect for the staff and students in the class is essential. A failure to show this will result in the student being removed from the room to work elsewhere. Remember why you are here: to learn.
4. Electronic devices are not to be in the classroom, unless otherwise stated. (for example: iPod to listen to music during the work period). If caught using them, they will be held in my desk for the duration of the class.

ALL CELL PHONES WILL REMAIN ON SILENCE AND ARE NOT TO BE SEEN DURING CLASS TIME. DON'T LET THIS BECOME AN ISSUE. Students will have a 3-strike system; the first offence will result in a conversation to correct the behavior. The second offence will result in a conversation with the student and parent to create a plan for understanding appropriate technology use. The third offence will result in a permanent ban from using cell phones within my classroom. Students will not be permitted to carry their cell phone on their person.



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Course Evaluation Structure:

- Classwork: 20%
- Tests: 20%
- Assignments: 10%
- Final Projects: 30% of final grade
- Final Exam: 20% (This is the compulsory exam, meaning there are no exemptions, and all students must complete)

Assignments and General Work:

All projects, presentations and assignments will be given due dates that are appropriate for the work they involve. Setting these timelines often involves student input. Once the set due date has passed, a mark of 'O' with the teacher comment 'no evidence of learning submitted' will be pushed through to the student portal for parents to see. This will be treated as an incomplete grade until the student submits the assignment for evaluation. If assignments remain outstanding, the following steps may be taken as per the provincial assessment policy and our school policy on late assignments:

- 1) If the first deadline has been missed, students will be required to come in the following day to work during lunch hours as per our school-based late policy.
- 2) A second, and final deadline will then be set by the teacher by which the work should be completed by the agreed-upon time.
- 3) Once the second deadline has passed, any work that has been partially completed will be assessed as per normal. If there is no work to be assessed, the assignment will be marked as 'O' and will no longer be accepted for assessment.

Attendance:

Attendance is checked daily and linked with the PowerSchool system. Please let me know if you are going to be away, along with the reason so I may provide you with the work you will be missing. If possible, all course material will be uploaded to Microsoft Teams. If you miss a test (with a valid reason) you must take the test during the next available period or class.



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Adaptations:

Adaptations will be provided to students as needed in order to ensure they can adequately display their achievement of curricular outcomes. Some examples may include oral testing, choice assignments, differentiated instruction, and scaffolding. Please do not hesitate to come to speak with me regarding any adaptations!

Test Preparation:

Students will be given sufficient notice before major tests. (4 days minimum) All tests will be outlined beforehand in regards to format and general information. The reviews and slides will be uploaded into Microsoft Teams as well. Proper attendance and participation will provide you with the knowledge you require to be successful on these large-scale assessments. It is up to you to prepare adequately for these large-scale assessments!

Re-Test Policy:

Under certain circumstances, such as illness in which students miss a considerable amount of class time, re-tests may be granted to students throughout the year. In order for students to qualify for a re-test, the following process must take place:

- 1) The test must be taken home and signed by the student's parents or guardians.
- 2) One noon hour block must be used to adequately prepare for the re-test.
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DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

The use of any technology is to enhance learning, not to distract from learning. The guiding principle of the use of technology in the classroom is as follows:

- In the classroom- During classroom lectures, videos, guest speakers, or during field trips, students are not to be using their devices. They will be out of sight and out of mind. Students will be offered the option to show they have cell phone etiquette, and they are socially responsible. This means students are allotted to use their devices upon teacher discretion (during work blocks, for active learning, or as an aide to help learning).
- Upon the student's lack of adherence to the rules, they will be given a verbal warning (first offence: verbal warning) and their device will be removed for the remainder of class.
- If a student persists in not adhering to classroom rules, committing a second offence (second offence: written warning). Student's device will be removed for the remainder of the school day, and parents will be notified. Teachers, student, and parents will have a meeting to discuss and establish very clear boundaries and expectations.
- If the student continues to not adhere to classroom rules and expectations, the student will be asked to no longer carry a cell phone within the classroom setting (permanent ban). In this instance the student's phone will be taken to the office where a parent can collect the phone. Students will not be permitted the use of a cell phone for any point or purpose within the classroom.



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