

Social Studies: Honors U.S. History II

UNIT/ Weeks	Timeline/Topics	Essential Questions
9	<p><u>A Changing World</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Railroads Lead the Way • Inventions Change Society • An Age of Big Business • Workers in the Industrial Age • The New Immigrants • Moving to the City • A Changing Culture • The Movement Begins • Women and Progressives • Seeking New Frontiers • Imperialism in the Pacific • War with Spain • Latin American Policies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the unintended consequences of progress? • How does technology change the way people live and work? • Why do people move? • How do new ideas change the way people live? • Why do societies change? • What drives people to organize and work for change in their society & government? • What are the causes and consequences of prejudice and injustice? • Why does conflict develop?
9	<p><u>World War I, Boom and Bust</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • War in Europe • America's Road to War • Americans Join the Allies • The War at Home • Searching for Peace • Time of Turmoil • Desire for Normalcy • A Booming Economy • The Roaring Twenties • The Great Depression • The New Deal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does a dominant, successful nation also have an obligation to help/protect weaker nations and people? • How are wars won (and lost)? • How do nations come into conflict? • How is the media manipulated to support political and economic motives? • What are the economic, social, and political impacts of war? • What issues lead to American involvement in foreign affairs? • What factors determine whether or not our nation will go to war? • When is America exerting its power and influential justified?
9	<p><u>World War II and the Cold War</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • War Clouds Gather • World War II Begins • On the Home Front • The European Theatre of War • The War in the Pacific • Roots of the Cold War • Early Cold War Politics • The Korean War • Life in the 1950s 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In waging a war, does the end (winning) justify the means? • What are the economic, social and political impacts of war? • What conditions can lead to totalitarian governments? • What obligations does a dominant, successful nation have to help/protect weaker nations and people? • When is America exerting its power and influence justified? • Can an ideological war be more dangerous than a physical war? • How and why did the US and Soviet Union come into conflict?

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How did key events shape the course and outcome of the Cold War? • How do new technologies impact the events and outcome of the Cold War? • How do a nation's political, economic, cultural and social developments reflect its values? • What are the responsibilities, if any, of being a world power? • What are the social and political effects of the Cold War?
9	<p><u>Civil Rights, Vietnam, And Modern America</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Civil Rights Movement • Kennedy and Johnson • Civil Rights in the 1960s • Other Groups Seek Rights • Kennedy's Foreign Policy • The Vietnam War • The Nixon Administration • Watergate and Its Aftermath • The Reagan Revolution • The First President Bush • Toward a New Century • The Global War on Terror • The Obama Presidency • Twenty-First Century Challenges 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can citizens take action and create change when their rights are violated? • How did Jim Crow laws perpetuate economic and social inequalities? • How did the media assist the Civil Rights Movement? • How did the various Civil Rights organizations work together to achieve greater equality? • How have the actions and legislative successes of the Civil Rights Movement impact American citizens? • What drives people to organize and work for change in their government and society? • Why did many Civil Rights activists choose nonviolence as a method to pursue equal rights? • Why is conflict necessary to bring about change? • Can political freedom exist without an economic foundation? • Does racial equality depend upon government action? • How do new ideas change the way people live?