

**Jefferson County High School
Course Syllabus**

A. Course **U.S. History & Geography**

B. Department **Social Studies**

C. Course Description

This course will quickly survey the period between exploration and the Civil War. Major emphasis will be placed upon the study of Modern America from 1890 to the present. Some of the major topics covered are American's involvement in Europe and Asia, the Great Depression, Crucial Decade of the 50s, Coming Apart in the 60s and 70s, and Vietnam. At all times current events will be used to make the past and present more relevant to one another. This is an TN Ready/EOC course. EOC exam scores are 25% of the second semester grade.

D. Grade Term **Semester**

E. Grading Scale

<u>Range</u>	<u>Honors/ Regular</u>
93-100 A	4.0
85-92 B	3.0
75-84 C	2.0
70-74 D	1.0

F. Term Dates

- a. 3rd 9 Weeks January 5, 2017 – March 15, 2017
- b. 4th 9 Weeks March 16, 2017 – May 25, 2017

G. Textbook **United States History: Reconstruction to the Present (Prentice Hall)**

H. Other Required Reading

The reading of primary source documents is a key feature of the U.S. History standards.

I. Other Resources

- a. Odysseyware
- b. ACT.org

J. Major Assignments

- a. TN Ready Benchmark Assessments and TN Ready Exam

K. Procedures for Parental Access to Instructional Materials

- a. Aspen Parent Portal
- b. Instructor's Website
- c. Email Instructor
- d. Parent Teacher Conference
 - a. There are two designated conference dates during the school year. Parents who would like to request additional meetings may make appointments for conferences with the teachers (during their planning periods), counselors, or a principal by telephoning the school office.

L. Field Trips

- a. Any scheduled fieldtrip will have a definite educational purpose and will reflect careful planning. Signed permission forms will be obtained when an off campus trip is planned.

M. Standards & Objectives

- a. I Can Statement Scope & Sequence

