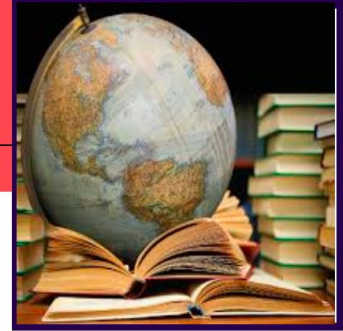


# 8th Grade Humanities

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## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Welcome to the wonderful world of Humanities! In this course, we will explore literacy concepts through a historical lens. This class will strengthen analytical skills all while providing a toolkit of resources that can be used in multiple disciplines. Student “voice and choice” will be the guiding force throughout our studies. We will embark on a journey of personalized learning, providing students with the opportunity to take an active role in the lesson designs and mastery of standards.

For 8th grade students, our theme this year will be “Sense of Identity.” Each unit will have various essential questions that directly relate back to the idea of defining our nation and ourselves. We will be looking at the social, economic, and political movements of the 20th century. Students will develop a solid understanding of historical concepts, while making connections to themselves and their community.

# UNITS OF STUDY

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## 20th Century U.S. History

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|---|------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 1 | Conflict as resolution | 5 | Civil Rights                     |
| 2 | Defining generations   | 6 | Politics and culture             |
| 3 | Social movements       | 7 | Contemporary American Literature |
| 4 | Changes in technology  | 8 | Evolution of communication       |

## OBJECTIVE



Reading Skills



Writing Skills



Critical Thinking



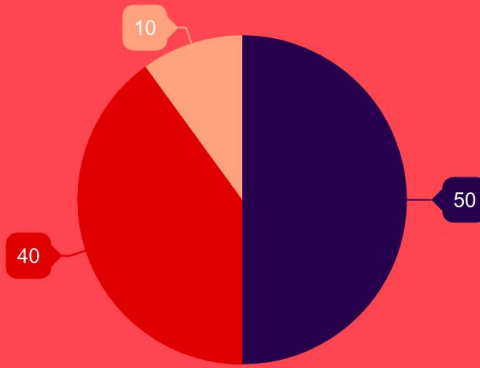
Literary Movements



Historical Connections



American Identity



## GRADING

Assessments	50%
Classwork	10%
Projects	40%

100% 

## COURSE EXPECTATIONS

**P**

**REPARED**

Be prepared, focused and ready to learn something new in every class.

**R**

**RESPONSIBLE**

Ensure all assignments are submitted according to deadline. Class attendance is also important to help students benefit from the course.

**P**

**ROACTIVE**

Engagement and participation in class is highly encouraged. Don't be afraid to share your thoughts!

**R**

**RESPECTFUL**

Be respectful towards teacher and classmates. Encourage one another and stay united as a team!

## ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

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Mrs. Gilbert's  
or  
Mrs. Miller's Room



Monday  
through  
Friday



Lunch/Recess  
WIN  
Before/After School



## CLASSROOM PHILOSOPHY

"We believe in bringing out the best in every student and in helping them to reach their fullest potential in my classroom. We are committed in helping every student to excel academically and to guide them to grow as a lifelong learner."