Course:

World History consists of the following content area strands: World History, Geography, and Humanities. This course is a continued in-depth study of the history of civilizations and societies from the middle school course and includes the history of civilizations and societies of North and South America. Students will be exposed to historical periods from the fall of the Roman Empire to the beginning of the 21st Century.

Grading Scale:

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Final Grade Override:
I reserve the right to override the final grade if the student’s overall performance warrants it. For example, if a student’s work truly demonstrates average understanding of the content and the student has a 79.5%, the student will earn a C and not the automatically rounded Pinnacle score of a B. Factors that will contribute to determining this will be student performance on summative graded assignments. Before the grade override is finalized, both student and parent will be notified concerning the student’s performance if the override will result in a lower final grade. At the same time if the student’s summative performance demonstrates mastery of the material and has mathematically earned a 79.5%, they will see the B score appear as their final grade.

Grades:

The following is the grade distribution that is required by Volusia County schools. Listed are types of assignments that will count under each weighted category.

**Summative Assignments 60%**
- Chapter Exams
- Midterm Exam
- DBQ Essays
- Projects
- Final Exams

**Formative Assignments 40%**
- Quizzes
- In class assignments
- Projects
- Homework
- Notebook Check
**Social Studies Fair:** All World History Honors students are required to participate in the Social Studies Fair. Participation is voluntary for regular level classes.

**Summative Retake Policy:**
Unit Exams are the only summative assignment that will be permitted to be retaken. The higher of the two grades will be given to the student. All retakes must be completed a week prior to the end of the nine weeks (7 SCHOOL DAYS) or the retake option for the nine weeks will have expired.

**Required Materials:**
Students will maintain a binder/notebook which will be used only for this class. Within the notebook students will have all classroom notes and handouts. Students must have all notes and handouts organized for the current chapter in order presented in class. This notebook will provide the materials needed for all exams and any notebook checks. I give lots of handouts—a binder is vital to organization!

**Academic Honesty:**
The school policy will be enforced. Please review your Code of Conduct handbook for details.

**Absent Work:**
Students are expected to turn in all assignments in accordance with Mrs. Shea’s deadlines. It is the job of the student to obtain all missing work when absent. Students may email me at krshea@volusia.k12.fl.us to enquire about missed assignments. Realize that classroom lectures are not easily made up; therefore attendance is crucial to success in this class. Be in class!

If absent on a day of an exam, the student will need to make arrangements to make up the exam that was missed. This should be done during lunch or after school with advance discussion/notice.

**Discipline:**
All DeLand High School policies and procedures will be adhered to in this class. Please review your Code of Conduct handbook for details.

Behavior Expectations while in class are:

- Be on time for class
- Be prepared for class
- Be considerate
- No side conversations during instruction
- No cell phones or other electronics during instruction unless specified

**Tardiness:**
Students are to be inside the classroom when the bell rings. Late students will be admitted within 5 minutes of the bell and will be marked as late. After 3 late arrivals within one grading period, students will be referred to the Dean’s office for disciplinary action.

☆ Email: krshea@volusia.k12.fl.us ☆

Our class syllabus may be viewed at www.delandhs.org
Please sign and return **this sheet** to Mrs. Shea as soon as possible.

Thank you!

My child, ______________________ (print), and I have read/discussed the classroom expectations and policies for Mrs. Shea’s class. We are aware of Mrs. Shea’s homework and absentee policy; understanding that it is the job of my child to obtain the work that they have missed when they are out. We are aware that Mrs. Shea follows the official DHS policy regarding tardiness to class. We understand that cell phone use is prohibited during class time unless specifically permitted by Mrs. Shea.

By signing this page, we acknowledge that we are aware of the expectations that Mrs. Shea will be upholding and that we will do our best to meet and or exceed the established expectations.

*Please share the best way for me to contact you. Should you need to contact me, please email me at krshea@volusia.k12.fl.us. You may also leave a message with the office at (386) 822-6909.*

I look forward to a great year!

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Student Signature                          Parent/Guardian Signature

Parent/Guardian Email Address:

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Parent/Guardian Phone Number:

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