**Ms. Garey –** garey\_tr@mtnhomesd.org

Dear Parent / Guardian,

First let me introduce myself, my name is Tawnya Garey and I am your child’s U.S. History 1 teacher. I look forward to building a relationship with both you and your child. We will be studying the American Revolution, the Constitution, the Civil War, Reconstruction, and the Gilded Age. This is an exciting time period to study, please help your child understand the importance of learning the history of this great country that we call home.

I love teaching history and interacting with my students. I take their success seriously. To ensure your child’s success I have certain expectations that must be followed:

1. I expect your child to be in class every day of the semester and if they are absent, I expect their work to be picked up. Your child will have two days to make up any work when the absent is excused (this does not include school activities or when there is prior knowledge of an assignment).
2. I expect your child to be on time to my class, class starts with the bell and there will be an assignment for your child to complete every day. If your child is continually tardy I will be in contact with you. You may also check your child’s attendance on Power School.
3. I expect your child to be prepared to learn every day, one thing that all students are required to bring to class every day is their U.S. History binder or notebook, this binder should be 1 ½ to 2 inches, they will need either a mechanical pencil or a pen, and they will need paper to write on.
4. I expect your child to be anxiously engaged in the daily lessons.
5. I expect your child to be respectful. I believe that it is our responsibility to create a better society; this will be accomplished by our youth learning to respect property, other people and their differences, and themselves. This generation will be great if we lead them in the right direction.

Please take a moment to review the class syllabus with your child. If your child is struggling in my class please contact me. My goal is to have your child pass U.S. History. Please refer to the syllabus for the assignments that will be completed this semester. If your child struggles with a unit exam, they will be allowed to retake the exam. The retake must be completed within 5 days of taking the first exam.

Thank you for allowing me to teach your child. We will have a great semester. I expect my student’s parents / guardians to check Power School regularly, if you do not have a password you can obtain one from the office. Communication is key; I prefer the method of e-mail.

**Please take a moment and e-mail me one thing that I should know about your child**. I am excited to teach your child and together we will be successful. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

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