History 5/6: Westward Expansion

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This course covers the 100+ year time period of 1803 – 1920 when America experienced her birth pangs and the cry of "Go West Young Man!" combined with Lady Liberty's welcome to immigrants ignited an explosion of settlers who expanded our nation to her current borders.

History should be exciting, engaging, living and active and inspire goose-bumps. My mantra is: "Tell me why we care!" I want students to think and analyze why we are learning what we are learning.

I LOVE HISTORY. God is writing a bigger story and we have the opportunity to look back and see how He has moved and led people to accomplish his will. Sometimes we see blessing, sometimes we see judgement, and sometimes we're just not sure why – but through it all God is Good. In this class we will pray together, discuss, and ask questions. Parents are always welcome to sit in.

Our mutual communication will be imperative for your student's success. I will send home weekly emails with important updates about our progress. We use Google Classroom, students will need an email address. Please ensure students check email daily and call me with any concerns.

Supplies and Expectations: 5 Participation points are given daily for: showing up on time, bringing supplies, participating, showing positive character.

Please come to class prepared with supplies:

- 4x6 notecards with Notecard holder
- Lined paper
- Scissors
- Good, permanent glue stick

- Black & Red fine tip sharpie
- Thin pocket binder exclusive to History for handouts and daily work.
- Colored pencils/markers

Due to Teacher: \$28 TEACHER WILL PURCHASE TEXT

- \$10 copy fee Supplemental Learning Materials & copies provided by the teacher
- \$18 Text & Reader purchase fee

Text: Westward Expansion and Migration, Grades 6 - 12 (American History Series) Paperback – Publisher: Mark Twain Media; Csm edition; ISBN-10: 1580375847; ISBN-13: 978-1580375849

Supplemental Reading: Westward Expansion: An Interactive History Adventure (You Choose: History) Paperback – July 15, 2016 by <u>Allison Lassieur</u> (Author)

*These will be provided by and supplemented with Teacher Provided Materials

Blessings~