**10th Grade Social Studies Options: The Major Differences –**

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|  | **World History** | **Pre AP World History** | **AP/Dual Credit World History** |
| **Grading** | 50% Summative (tests, major projects)50% Formative (Homework, daily work, quizzes) | 50% Summative (tests with essays, major projects)50% Formative (Homework, daily work, essays, map analysis, quizzes) | 50% Test and writing grades 50% Formative (Homework, daily work, quizzes) |
| **Reading** | Teacher-led case studies and in-class reading, some out-of-class reading | \*1 chapter/unit per week and a half to two weeks\*Some at home reading required  | 1 chapter per week-college level textbook and/or supplemental book, additional case studies and primary source readings. |
| **Writing** | Short answer and short essay (in-class writing) | Five paragraph, thesis-based essays(DBQ) (at home and in class) and other types of writing assignments  | Five paragraph, thesis-based, document-based essays (2 per year)Long answer writing assignments 2-3 times per yearPrimary Source analysis |
| **Tests** | 3 per six weeks with 25-40 multiple choice questions | \*Tests almost every unit\*Tests comprised of multiple choice, short answer and essays  | 3 per six weeksMultiple Choice, Stimulus based multiple choice (AP) format, AP Short Answers, Long Essay Questions and DBQs. |
| **Projects** | 1-2 in-class project, with some possible work out of class | \*At least one major in-class or at-home project assignment each six weeks | No in-class projects |
| **College Credit and GPA** | No college credit or bonus GPA points | **+5 points added to your GPA** after successful completion of the course; no college credit. | **+8 points added to your GPA** for both AP and DC upon successful completion of the course; **Advanced Placement (AP)**: college credit for class upon passing the AP exam (in May).**Dual Credit (DC)**: Northwest Vista college credit upon successful completion of class – class will be permanent record on college transcript |