



INSTRUCTOR: MS. HOGGARD

COURSE: AMERICAN HISTORY HONORS



PROJECT SUMMARY



- Students either individually or in pairs will determine how they would define America. They will need to finish the statement, America is _____. What do THEY THINK America symbolizes? From that statement, they will research and provide historical evidence to support their claim. In addition, they will create an art piece that represents their perspective.



DRIVING QUESTION

- How can we as historians define America in one word?



SUSTAINED INQUIRY & AUTHENTICITY

- This project allows for sustained inquiry because it allows students to form personal, thoughtful interpretations that are not fact based. They will need to back up their opinion with relevant historical evidence which will encourage them to investigate multiple sources and perspectives. Students will have a choice in how they are defining America and will create an art piece to go along with this



STUDENT VOICE & CHOICE WITH PUBLIC PRODUCTS

- Physical Art will be displayed in my classroom. Students are also creating a google site that will be accessible to other people.



TEACHER REFLECTION

- This project provided students with a valuable opportunity to express their perspectives on how they would define America, using both written and artistic forms. I was especially impressed by the thoughtful reasoning they demonstrated as they supported their thesis statements with historical evidence and personal insight. I was also impressed to see how they used their voices to engage with challenging themes while remaining respectful and objective.



STUDENT REFLECTIONS

- "We had to do a lot of research to help us come up with our answer to the driving question, and it was cool to create a Google site rather than write a paper to share our answer."
- "This project really made me finesse my time management and overall work ethic, while making me incorporate creative thinking into the process."



NOTED SKILLS GAINED

- RESEARCHING
- 3D PRINTING
- CREATIVE THINKING
- TIME MANAGEMENT

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