

# STAAC Class Description 2023-2024

Course Title: U.S. History

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Teacher: Donna Ayers

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Grades: 3rd-5th

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Meeting Day(s): Thursday Time(s): 10:00-10:55

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Student minimum required for this course: 10 Maximum accepted 25

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## Course Description including any prerequisites or other requirements:

This class is a survey of American History for elementary students. Using "The Story of Civilization Volume 4: The History of the United States" by Phillip Campbell as our guide we will explore the history of the United States beginning with Columbus. We will learn about our nation's founders and famous citizens including inventors, military heroes, philanthropists, and saints. We will be learning several patriotic songs including the President's song and the Preamble.

## Costs

- Total Tuition: \$0 (or \$50 for non-volunteers)
  - **Payment Option 1:** Full amount of \$0 (or \$50) to be paid on July 1st.
  - **Payment Option 2:** Split amount of \$0 (or \$25) as two payments due on July 1<sup>st</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup>
- Venmo information: @Donna-Ayers-2 confirm- 8083 (Venmo is the preferred payment method)
- Checks made out to: n/a
- and mailed to: n/a

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## **Student Responsibilities and Expectations**

This is a fun age-appropriate class, and students should be ready to learn and willing to answer questions and sing along.

## **Grading Breakdown**

No grades will be given in this survey class.

## **Textbooks and Supplies Required**

Please bring a folder to keep our handouts in as well as pencils and a small box of colored pencils.

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## **Teacher Biography**

Donna, her husband Marc, and their five children are members of the Cathedral of St. Paul. They have homeschooled for over 16 years and their oldest child is a sophomore in college, while their youngest is 5. Donna has taught at St. Thomas Aquinas for six years including classes such as Church History, Alabama History and U.S. History. She also taught PSR for 8 years including 7 years in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. She has a law degree from Cumberland School of Law and a B.A. in Broadcast Journalism and Public Relations from Troy University.

## **Teacher Contact Information**

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## **Additional Information**

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