Dear Parents and Student,

This year we will be using Edmodo in Mr. Ragan's US History Class. Edmodo is a free and secure learning network for teachers, students, and schools. It provides a safe way for us to connect, share content, access homework, participate in discussions and receive class information.

Edmodo is accessible online and through any mobile device with Internet capabilities – including free apps for iPhone, iPad, iPod touch and Android devices. Students can access their account from any mobile device or computer, and set up notifications within Edmodo to receive alerts/reminders via text or e-mail.

Edmodo will not be used as a social network like Facebook or MySpace. This tool will be used <u>strictly for</u> <u>educational purposes</u> using the following guidelines:

- Students will be required to use appropriate grammar instead of texting language
- Edmodo does not allow private student-to-student messaging- the site will be used to discuss schoolrelated content only
- No put-downs or sarcasm toward another's ideas. All school rules and consequences related to harassment apply

Students who violate the guidelines above may face disciplinary action and/or face losing the privilege of using Edmodo.

Edmodo also offers parent accounts and I'd like to invite you to join our classroom online.

With Parent Accounts, you can:

- View your child's homework assignments and due dates
- Stay up to date on your child's grades
- Receive updates on class and school events

To join our classroom on Edmodo, follow these steps:

- 1. Go to <u>www.edmodo.com</u>
- 2. Select "Parent Signup" (the link is located below the student and teacher sign up buttons)
- 3. Parent code can be found in the student account. If you need assistance please email me.
- 4. Key in **your unique code:** in the Parent Code field, then create your unique username and password.
- 5. Select Sign Up. That's all there is to it!

After you sign up for the first time, you will no longer need the parent code – you'll login using your unique username and password to login.

I look forward to a great year as we incorporate the use of technology into our classroom curriculum. If you have any questions, please contact me at <u>tragan@fusd1.org</u>.

Thank you,

Mr. Ragan

<u>Class Access Code</u> 1st – y4xpj4 2nd – 8airjt

Edmodo Code of Conduct

- 1. I will use one of the avatars included with Edmodo for my profile picture or use one that I have appropriate legal permission to use (i.e. in the public domain).
- 2. I will use posts to discuss school-related content only.
- 3. I will use a respectful tone of voice when posting. All school rules and consequences related to harassment apply.
- 4. I will use appropriate grammar instead of texting language.
- 5. I will not use my posts to promote personal websites or chat rooms.
- 6. I will limit my use of sarcasm to avoid misinterpretations.
- 7. I will not reveal any personal information on Edmodo. This includes telephone numbers, addresses, emails, etc.
- 8. I will not post photos or videos showing myself or classmates without permission.

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Parent Signature:	Date:	_

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