

1. Nothing is more important than your health and well-being. The health and well-being of your family may be a close second.
2. Our own health and well-being is directly connected to our collective and communal health and well-being. Everything we do should be about elevating wellness and mitigating the stress

Study and reflect upon important texts (both contemporary and historical) that inform equity, social justice and critical race perspectives on public education
Understand the impact of poverty, systemic racism and conditions on classroom instruction and student achievement.

Understand the impact of state and federal funding as well as the persistent (and intentional) budget crisis on LAUSD students, teachers and families.

Understand the impact of teacher training, support and evaluation on student achievement and school progress

Analyze the role and (

Rhee, Michelle. 2014

Radical: Fighting to Put Students First New York:
Harper Paperback Books

Goldstein, Dana. 2014

Teacher Wars

Grades

Assignments and Grading

Class Engagement	10%
Weekly Reflection Papers (2)	20%
School Reopening, Recovery and Reparations Plan (group or individual proposal)	30%
Public Policy Proposal Group Project (paper and presentation)	30%
Final Reflection Paper	10%

Weekly reflection papers are a 2-page reflection and analysis about any reading, speaker or class discussion/activity. There is no prescribed format for the reflection. I appreciate it when students connect the readings/activities to their own personal experiences in these reflection papers. Stude

Chapter 1: City Schools and the American Dream
Chapters 1-3: Why Race and Culture Matter in Schools
Section 1: The Death and Life of the Great American
School System

February 24th:

Policy in Action

Determining Priorities for School Reopening and Ensuring
Equitable Funding means Equitable Access to Reopening
Resources

Section One: Closing the Opportunity Gap

Chapter Three: City Schools and the American Dream

March 3rd:

Presentations: School Re-opening, Recovery and
Reparations Plan

Group and Project Selection for Policy Project

SPRING BREAK

(The remainder of the schedule will be determined by our Group Projects)