

# Modern U.S. Military History

2023-2024

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**To:** Parents/Guardians

**From:** Karen H. Reeves

Edmund Burke Academy will be offering the elective Modern U.S. Military History during the 2022-2023 school year. This will provide students with the opportunity to study the basics of military philosophy and its application to modern American military engagements. Included will be the following units:

Nature of war/military philosophy  
Ancient/Medieval Warfare  
Early American Wars (French & Indian War through Mexican War)  
Civil War/World War I (Beginning of modern warfare)  
World War II  
Cold War/Development of nuclear weapons  
Vietnam-present

As much as possible, primary sources will be used to develop a deeper understanding of the material and, on occasion, veterans will visit to explain basic concepts and answer questions. In addition, films will be used to illustrate specific concepts. The subject matter dictates that certain scenes will display graphic violence/language. While films will be approved beforehand, it is your option to request that your child be offered an alternative assignment should you object to the subject matter. It is expected that students who remain to view these films treat the subject matter with the respect due those who serve in the armed forces. Inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated. I encourage you to participate by engaging your child in discussion of the material included in this course. Please feel free to use the contact information below should you have any questions.

Thank you in advance for your support.

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