**Guided Notes – The Cold War**Video Link: http://bit.ly/ColdwarVid

Main Idea: World War II left behind enormous destruction and a world order dominated by two nations: the United States and the Soviet Union. In the years to come, the bitter rivalry between these two superpowers would affect not only Europe and North America, but the world.

Essential Question:

* **WH.H.8.1** Evaluate global wars in terms of how they challenged political and economic power structures and gave rise to new balances of power.
* **WH.H.8.2** Explain how international crisis has impacted international politics.

Golden Hawk Historians will…

* Evaluate the extent to which World War II challenged economic and political power structures and gave rise to a new balance of power in the world.
* Explain and analyze how the inability to compromise and the lack of cooperation can lead to increased tension and crisis.

**The Iron Curtain**

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| **Potsdam Conference**  At the Potsdam conference they had agreed to…         Soviet Leaders wanted… |
| **Cold War:  Eastern Bloc:  Iron Curtain:** |

**Cold War Tensions**

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| **Truman Doctrine** | **Marshall Plan** |
| **Containment:** | |
| **Conflict in Berlin** | |
| **NATO** | **Warsaw Pact** |

**The Korean War**

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**The Arms Race Begins**

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| **Arms Race** | **Space Race** |

**The Vietnam War**

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| **Vietminh** | **United States** |
| **Gulf of Tonkin** | **End of Vietnam War** |

**Other Cold War Conflicts**

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| **Berlin Wall** | **Bay of Pigs** | **Cuban Missile Crisis** |

**Attempts at Arms Control**

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| **Eisenhower** | **Nixon** | **Reagan** |

**Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union**

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| **Khrushchev** | **Gorbachev** |
| **Fall of the Berlin Wall** | |

**The Soviet Union Collapses**

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**Check for Understanding**

**Directions:** Answer the following questions to the best of your ability **without** using your notes as much as possible. Check your answers against your notes if needed.

1. Explain and analyze how agreements made at the end of WWII led to increasing tensions between the United States and the Soviet Union. (Why did the Soviet Union not follow the Yalta Agreement? Why did tensions between the United States and the Soviet Union increase following WWII?) **WH.H.8.1**
2. Evaluate the extent to which cold war could be considered “Cold” – choose ONE of the following: Korean War, Vietnam War, or conflicts in Germany. (What were the different conflicts between the United States and the Soviet Union? How could these conflicts be considered “cold” instead of “hot”?) **WH.H.8.1**
3. Explain and analyze the events that led to the end of the Cold War and the collapse of the Soviet Union. (What actions and conflicts led to the end of the Cold War? How did this impact relations between the Soviet Union and the United States?) **WH.H.8.1**