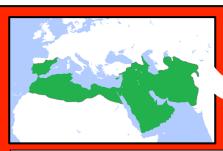
### TWO GROUPS DOMINATE THE POLITICS OF THIS ERA



/sl661-1258 CE

Islamic expansion introduced a new concept- The CALIPHATE.

- CALIPHATE ("Dominion of the Caliph/Successor")
- New form of government that took hold across North Africa, and West Asia.
- o Led by a succession of Caliphs until 1258
- Islamic groups that you NEED TO KNOW:
- O Abbasids, Delhi Sultanate, Muslim Iberia (Al-Andalus)
- As the Islamic Arabs spread their dominance, they took on a great many PERSIAN influences

"The Persians ruled for a thousand years and did not need us Arabs even for a day. We have been ruling them for one or two centuries and cannot do without them for an hour"

- Ultimately, it was Islamic growth that led to the European Crusades
- Key cultural transfer: ABBASIDS with TANG CHINA
- \*\* There is much more to know here, but the above are listed in the Curricula

# 1206-1368 CE ONGOLS

The Pastoral people of Central Asia created the largest empire in the history of the planet that integrated both pastoral & agrarian people.



- The State Form to focus on for the Mongols is the KHANATE.
- Four Khanates
  - Golden Horde (Russia/Eastern Europe)
  - Khanate of the Great Khan (China/East Asia)
  - Chagatai (Central Asia)
  - *Ilkhanate* (Middle East/Persia/The Illest Khanate of them all)
- Each began as an administrative unit ruled by a descendent of Genghis Khan (usually children/grandchildren)
  - After his death, they fought/became independent
- "Pax Mongolica"
- o Era of peace controlled by the Mongol Empire
  - Transcontinental trade that reconstituted the old Silk Road
  - Disease/Goods/Animals/Spices/Paper/Gunpowder/Banking/Printing

#### OTHER MAJOR STATES "DEMONSTRATE REMARKABLE CONTINUITY, INNOVATION & DIVERSITY"

### BYZANTINE

- Eastern Rome
- Byzantine people refer to it as the *Roman Empire*
- Person to Know:
- Justinian
  - Briefly rebuilt the Roman
    Empire to old borders
- Justinian Code
- Administrative System
- O Divine, Absolute Emperor
- O Elaborate Bureaucr.
- O Christian Empire

#### CHINA 589-1279 CE

- THREE Dynasties
- SUI DYNASTY
- Reunited
- Grand Canal
- o TANG DYNASTY
  - High Point of Chinese Civiliz.
- Silk Road
- Tribute
- Buddhist/Confuc.
- Cultural Influence over Japan, Korea
- Printing
- SONG DYNASTY
- Paper Money
- GunpowderConquered by the MONGOLS

### Italian City-States

- New gov't that replaced the Old Roman Empire
- Venice, Milan, Genoa, Verona, etc.
- Dominated Mediterranean trade
- Key trade between Europe and Asia
- Later traded with Ottoman Empire

#### feubal Europe

- Decentralized
- Local feudal lords gained fealty over local people
  - Highlight:
    - Charlemagne

## Feudal Japan

- Mirrored Europe
- Daimyo=Lord
- Samurai=Knights

#### AMERICAS

- State systems expanded in scope and strength
- Similar to Afro-Eur.
- MAYA
- City States
- AZTEC
- Empire based in Central Mexico
- o "Mexica"
- INCA
- Andes Mountains around Peru
- Road System
- o Inheritance System
- Quipu

