

7th Grade Social Studies Syllabus

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Planning period: 8:05 – 8:55 AM

Course Description:

Students will study ancient world history including civilizations in Mesopotamia, India, Egypt, China, Greece, Rome, and Mesoamerica. The study of each civilization will include its geographic location, religion, accomplishments, politics, economy, and social structure. By the end of this course students will have a thorough understanding of the ancient world and be able to recognize common themes and patterns between the rise and fall of these different civilizations.

Text Resources:

Textbook: History Alive! The Ancient World, 2017

A novel, to be determined

Schedule:

Unit 1: Early Humans and Rise of Civilization	September/October
Unit 2: Ancient India	October
Unit 3: Ancient Egypt and Middle East	November/December
Unit 4: Ancient China	January
Unit 5: Ancient Greece	February/March
Unit 6: Ancient Rome	March/April
Unit 7: Ancient Mesoamerica	April/May
Unit 8: World Religions	May

Assessments:

A variety of assessments will be used such as weekly quizzes, unit tests, projects, and semester exams to gauge student understanding.

Grades:

Grades will be updated weekly on Infinite Campus. The grades will be on an A+ to F scale and all assignments and assessments are weighed the same. Late work for assignments will be penalized as follows:

- 1 day late: 10% grade reduction
- 2 days late: 50% grade reduction
- 3 days late: zero for the assignment

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****Assignments will not be accepted 3 days or later after the due date and the student will receive a zero. The end of the marking period is a strict grading deadline and no late assignments, even if they are within the 3-day late window, will be accepted after the marking period is over. Special circumstances will allow flexibility with late work within a marking period.**

All grading questions including those about late work, extensions for special circumstances, or questions about a specific grade require the student to ask the teacher about it before a parent does.

Absences:

Upon return to school, students will check Google Classroom and ask the teacher for any missed assignments. Most assignments will already be posted on Google Classroom for the entire class to view. Students will have as many days as they were absent to work on an assignment. The late assignment policy applies to these assignments as well once their due date has passed.

Classroom Rules:

1. Respect classmates and the teacher by listening when they are speaking
2. Follow all directions given by the teacher
3. Use provided materials and the classroom with care
4. Raise your hand to speak
5. Be prepared for class by bringing a charged laptop and required classroom materials
6. Follow all other school rules

In general consequences for breaking rules will follow in this order, but some steps may be skipped depending on the severity of the behavior:

1. Verbal warning
2. One on one conference with student
3. Call/email guardians
4. Conference with guardians and teacher
5. Referral to the office

Google Classroom:

Google classroom will be the primary source of communication with students for their assignments, due dates, reminders, and resources.

Google Classroom Codes:

2nd: ybzsmqm

3rd: iruwrdn

4th: li2sebm

6th: px7taf3

7th: rokr3ba

Materials Required:

- 1- Subject notebook, college ruled
- 1.5" Ring binder
- 1 folder, hole punched
- Pencils

Please sign and return by Friday, September 9, 2022

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Student signature: _____

Parent signature: _____