

6th Grade Social Studies



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Classroom Rules:

Follow directions quickly.
Raise your hand to speak.
Raise your hand to leave your seat.
Make smart choices.
Be kind and respectful to others.

Responsibility Expectations:

Bring all materials to class daily.
Use the restroom between classes.
Listen attentively.
Pick up missed work when absent.

Academic Expectations:

Come to class ready to learn.
Turn in assignments complete and on time.
Use blue or black pens or pencils only.
Do your best!

Behavior Expectations:

Be in your seat when the bell rings.
Begin writing in planner once seated in class.
Raise your hand when you want to participate or ask a question in class.
Be respectful of others' opinions and property.

***Any behavior that interferes with the teacher's right to teach or the student's right to learn will not be tolerated.**

Grading:

Major Grades: 70% (summative assessments: exams, essays, projects)

Daily Grades: 30% (formative assessments: homework, quizzes, class work, anchors, and maps)

Students may have the opportunity to retake any test or resubmit assignments in which they receive a failing grade. These assignments or retakes must be completed before the end of the quarter. A "Z" in the grade book represents a missing assignment that will automatically average as a zero. An "X" in the grade book represents a missing assignment that does not count against the student's current average.

Late work:

Late work is any assignment not turned in by the due date. Late work will be accepted; however, we respectfully ask that ALL late work be turned in prior to the last week of the grading period. A student will not receive full credit for late work; the grade will be based upon the teacher's discretion.

Tutoring Times

I am available Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:45-4:30. I can be available other times upon appointment.

Absences:

Picking up and completing make-up work is the student's responsibility.

Class Assignments:

Class assignments are activities that will be completed in class if time permits. If time becomes a problem, students may be asked to complete class assignments at home.

Homework Assignments:

Homework will consist of work that is not finished in class, studying for quizzes and tests, and working on projects that will be assigned throughout the year.

Website:

Updated information regarding class assignments, tests, and projects can be found on my class website. In addition, copyright-free notes, assignments, and materials will also be posted.

www.mrscowlishaw.weebly.com

Curriculum:

Curriculum for World Cultures will cover the basics of geography, culture, government, citizenship, and economy for the first semester of learning. Second semester students will apply their knowledge of those concepts to various regions around the world. Students will use the Engage Learning Model as part of project based learning to study the topics of citizenship first semester and culture second semester.