

6th Grade Social Studies

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Welcome!

Welcome to 6th grade social studies! I am very excited to have you in my class this year as we learn more about Ancient Civilizations. I will stay in contact with families this year through weekly emails and Remind messages. If you ever have questions, please be sure to let me know!

Class Overview

Students will focus on the emergence, expansion and decline of civilizations from the Paleolithic Era (BCE) to 1400s CE. Students will understand key factors that shaped the development of civilizations. Students will use historical thinking and inquiry processes to question, assess, gather evidence, and develop their own claims, arguments and theories throughout the year. As we explore prehistoric life and ancient civilizations, we will use the GRAPES organizer (*Geography, Religion, Achievements, Politics, Economy, Social Structure*) to learn about and evaluate these cultures. This material will help students understand, compare and contrast the expansion and decline of ancient civilizations and regions over time.

Supply List

- ☐ 2 Pocket Folder
- ☐ Pencils/Pens
- ☐ Colored Pencils
- ☐ Earbuds
- ☐ Charged Chromebook

Units of Study

Unit 1: Early Man
Unit 2: Mesopotamia
Unit 3: Ancient Egypt
Unit 4: Ancient India
Unit 5: Ancient China
Unit 6: Ancient Greece and Rome
Unit 7: Islamic Empires
Unit 8: Middle Ages
Unit 9: Indigenous Americas

Class Expectations

- ☐ Be Kind
- ☐ Stay Focused
- ☐ Work Hard
- ☐ Be Respectful
- ☐ Participate

Consequences:

1. Warning
2. Removal from Activity
3. Parent Contact
4. Office Referral (for severe/repeat offenses)

Grading Policy

- ☐ Tests/Projects: 40%
- ☐ Classwork/Quizzes: 60%

Students will take a test at the end of each unit. Quizzes will be taken throughout the year, as well.

When a student is absent, it is critical that they check Canvas to complete make up work. There is also a make up work folder in the classroom for students to find assignments that were completed when they were out.

