

## Contact Information

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## Welcome!

Welcome to 6<sup>th</sup> grade social studies! I am very excited to have you in my class this year as we learn about Ancient Civilizations. I will stay in contact with families through emails and Remind messages. Feel free to call or email questions/concerns any time. Sign up for Remind message using the directions below.

## 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 model will help students understand, compare, and contrast the expansion and decline of ancient civilizations and regions over time.

## Supply List

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

## 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: Medieval Europe  
 Unit 9: Indigenous Americas

## Class Expectations

- ☐ Be Kind
- ☐ Stay Focused
- ☐ Work Hard
- ☐ Be Respectful
- ☐ Participate
- ☐ Phones in bookbag
- ☐ Keep hands-feet-items to self

### Consequences:

1. Warning
2. Removal from Activity
3. Working Lunch
4. Parent Contact
5. 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. Other grades will come from classwork, quizzes, and projects. All will be listed on canvas and ample class time provided. *Teachers will follow grading and due date criteria as outlined in the handbook.*

**Absences** – Check canvas for lesson slides and assignments and speak with the teachers when student returns to class.

**PowerSchool**—Parents and students are asked to check grades online weekly. Please see the NWMS website for help setting up accounts if needed.



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