

# **6<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies Syllabus – Ms. Hancock**

This handout highlights what you need to know for this class. We will be using Canvas, an online tool, for many assignments and assessments, and students will be instructed in how to use it, as well as how to access PowerSchool to check their grades, once they receive their school-issued laptops.

I look forward to a wonderful school year!

<div><b><u>Curriculum</u></b></div> <div>Unit 1 – <b>Introduction to Social Studies Strands</b></div> <div>Unit 2 – <b>Paleolithic/Neolithic Society</b></div> <div>Unit 3 – <b>Ancient River Valley Civilizations</b> (Mesopotamia, Egypt, India, China)</div> <div>Unit 4 – <b>Great Civilizations</b> (Greece, Rome, Mesoamerica, &amp; Inca)</div> <div>Unit 5 – <b>Middle Ages</b></div> <div>Tutoring sessions will be offered most Monday afternoons from 3:50-4:50. A signed permission slip must be submitted the previous week.</div>	<div><b><u>Grading Policy</u></b></div> <div><b>Tests</b> – 50% (1 retest is allowed per unit test, before or after school. Students will receive the average of the two scores.)</div> <div><b>Quizzes</b> – 10% (no retests – quizzes will be short &amp; often unannounced)</div> <div><b>Interactive Notebook</b> – 30%</div> <div><b>Homework</b> – 10% (Outside of preparing for tests, HW will be infrequent in this class and usually only assigned if a classwork assignment is left unfinished.)</div> <div>Assignments, homework, and notebook checks must be completed by the given due date. The grade will drop 1 letter grade for each day an assignment is late. Work that is turned in more than 3 days late will not be accepted, and students will receive a zero.</div>
<div><b><u>Interactive Notebook (INB)</u></b></div> <div>We will use an Interactive Notebook to keep track of all the information we are learning, and the following materials will be needed:</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1 composition notebook (100 sheets)</li><li>• Colored pencils</li><li>• Glue stick/tape</li><li>• Scissors</li><li>• Pencils</li><li>• Earbuds/headphones</li></ul></div> <div>This notebook will contain most assignments, notes, etc. and count as 30% of the final grade. We are essentially creating our own textbook/activity book!</div> <div>Students must have decorated composition notebook by <u>Friday, August 31</u>.</div> <div>Students must keep track of their notebooks at all times! It can be left on a shelf in the classroom when not needed for studying/HW.</div>	<div><b><u>Knights Code of Honor</u></b></div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Show Respect</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Follow directions</li><li>✓ Keep hands, feet, objects, unkind comments to yourself</li></ul></li><li>• <b>Exercise Integrity</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Do your own work</li></ul></li><li>• <b>Maintain Self-Control</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Raise your hand and wait to be recognized to speak</li><li>✓ Remain on task</li></ul></li><li>• <b>Seek Excellence</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Arrive on time</li><li>✓ Bring all materials and assignments</li><li>✓ Do your best work</li></ul></li></ul></div> <div><b><u>These are the expectations for which every Knight will be held accountable!</u></b></div>

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