**6th Grade Social Studies**

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**Course Syllabus 2022-2023**

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**Course Description and Objectives**

Welcome to 6th grade Social Studies! The 6th grade curriculum consists of Europe, Latin America, Canada, and Australia. Throughout the year we will be exposing the students to the government, history, geography, and economy of these countries and how they impact the United States. All four of the topics we will be working with in each country is taught with the intent to show students how the citizens of these countries are: affected by the government system, geography of the country, economy of the country, and how the history of these countries affect these countries in the present day. The overarching goal of this class is to reference and study the different ways of life, and how they differ from the United States, to show the students how to be better global citizens.

**Textbook**

World Studies for Georgia Students – Clairmont Press

**Unit/Concept Names**

Pre-Unit: Think Like A Historian

Unit 1: Europe

Unit 2: Australia

Unit 3: Latin America

Unit 4: Canada

Unit 5: Your Financial Future

**Major Course Projects and Instructional Activities**

At least one project will be assigned each grading period. This will be an extension or enrichment of the concepts discussed. Students will have 1 to 3 weeks to complete each project depending on the complexity of the task. Some tasks and/or projects will be completed in class (specifically the unit culminating tasks – these MUST be completed in class only).

**Course Assessment Plan**

Students will receive a variety of assignments designed to enhance their learning. If a student is absent, the student is responsible for the missed assignment. Students who have an excused absence will be allowed five days to turn in the missed assignment.

**Evaluation (Schoolwide Grading Policy)**

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| Grade | Percent | Type | Per 6-week Period | Per Semester |
| Minor | 60% | Quizzes, Class work, Labs, etc | 5 | 15 |
| Major | 40% | Unit & Chapter Tests, Projects, Tasks | 2 | 6 |

Minimum grades per 6-week period and semester

**Homework Guidelines**

~ 10-15 minutes per class (Monday-Friday) and daily HW should NOT exceed 60 minutes per day (Mon-Fri).

~ Homework is practice and is not considered a “minor grade” and is not graded.

**Grading Policy**

A (100-90) B (89-80) C (79-75) D (74-70) F (69-0)

Parents are encouraged to monitor their child’s grades using the district **Infinite Campus Parent Portal**.

**Classroom Expectations**

1. Students are expected to be **ready** to learn when they come to class. This means being on time, prepared with materials and assignments.

2. Students are expected to be **respectful** of other students, all adults, and their environment.

3. Students are expected to be **responsible** for their own actions, attitudes, and behavior.

**Discipline Policy:**

Students are expected to follow the classroom and school behavioral guidelines. In the event that disciplinary action is administered, the discipline policy outlined in the Student Handbook will be followed.

**Consequences**

1) Verbal Warning 2) Parent Contact 3) Silent Lunch 4) Guidance Referral 5) Detention 6) Office Referral

**Course Materials**

Students will receive a copy of the 6th Grade Supply List which also can be found in Canvass and on Teachers Webpage.

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Please read over syllabus before signing

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