Rising 8th Grade Social Studies Summer Work

(for those going into 8th grade)

A few things to make sure you do before starting school next year,

- 1. Know your school email address, and general login information for LaunchPad.
 - a. We use USATestPrep a lot in my class, so please know how to log on.
- 2. Organize your OneDrive.
 - a. Have a folder for each subject and clean up any unnamed or blank documents.
- 3. Set up a Remind.com account if you don't have one already. That is the main source of communication and essential to your success.
 - a. Parents, please sign up as well.
- 4. Make sure you know how to get into your Infinite Campus. All grades are housed there and if you want to know your grades, what you are missing, etc you will need to look there.
 - a. Parents, please make sure you set up your Infinite Campus accounts as well. I send grade and missing assignments emails frequently and it's helpful when you can receive them.
 - b. How do I set up a parent account?

Assignment

- 1. Visit **at least fifteen** historical sites or memorials in Augusta.
 - a. Using your own words, describe the place (do not cut and paste). Tell me about the history. Explain to me the importance. Write these paragraphs as if I was someone from a different place who has NEVER heard of Augsta, and have no idea about this town or its history.
 - i. Examples, but you are not limited to
 - 1. What is the historical significance? How has it changed from its original state and use? What is its present use? (You should branch off from here)
 - b. Include picture(s) of the site. (**Student must be in a minimum of 10 of the 15 pictures**)
 - **c**. Include a journalist blurb for each site.
 - i. An example of a blurb is a short, informal piece of writing indicating what the final paper will cover.
 - 1. These are mainly found under pictures and give the reader a small dose of what the information they are about to read is about.

Suggested places to visit

Archibald Butt Bridge

Kings Mill

Cedar Grove Cemetery

Mayham Tower

Springfield Bapt. Church

Paine College

Signer's Monument

St. John Methodist Church Boyhood Home of Woodrow

Wilson

Summerville Historic District

Imperial Theater

Joseph Lamar Home

Ty Cobbs Home

Fort Gordon

Old Towne (Pinched Gut)

Augusta Arsenal

Fort Cornwallis

Cotton Exchange

Haunted Pillar

1st Christian Church

Sacred Heart

1st Presbyterian

Academy of Rich. Co. (original

building)

Gertrude Herbert Art Inst.

Meadow Garden

Augusta Canal

Confederate Powder Works

Laney House (not school)

Emily Tubman

Monument

Alan Fuqua Center

Historical Marker

Graniteville Mill

Magnolia Cemetery

Augusta Chronicle

Penny Savings Bank

St. Paul Episcopal Tabernacle Baptist (DO NOT INCLUDE Confederate Monument Church CLARK

1st Baptist Church (orig.) Ezekiel Harris House HILLS/ THURMOND
Church of Most Holy Trinity Augusta Museum LAKE)

Old Medical College Frank Yerby Boyhood Home

Old Government House Lake Olmstead

This assignment is **ONE PART** to the major assignment you will complete during your 8th grade year. This is the largest portion, it holds the highest point value in the assignment, and it is the most time consuming. **Please take your time and do not rush this.**

FAQ:

- 1. Do I have to be in the pictures?
 - a. Yes
- 2. Do I have to get out of the car and actually visit these places?
 - a. Yes. (You do not have to interact with people, but most of these are not stores or businesses, they are monuments or historical sites with little traffic.)
- 3. How do I put my picture with my information?
 - a. I suggest PowerPoint, Google Slides or Word. You can send all the photos to your computer and drag them next to whatever information you write about that site. Then when you turn in the final version (at the end of the year), you only have to print out the document sheets as it is pricey to print pictures.
- 4. Can I write on notebook paper?
 - a. No.
- 5. Do I have to include all my pictures, information paragraphs and blurb?
 - a. Yes

Any additional questions can be asked through my email - tyleran@richmond.k12.ga.us

Once you are finished gathering and formatting the information, save it to your OneDrive through your school email account. If you do not know how to do that, save it to a flash drive, or Google Drive. If you are not sure how to do either of those, Google is your best friend. I hope that you are excited about next year and I cannot wait to see what you find.

Ms. Tyler