

Welcome to 7th Grade



SOCIAL STUDIES

Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians,

Hello! I'm Mr. Kratovil and would like to welcome you to the 7th grade and social studies class. My goal is to improve every students' critical-thinking, inferential, reading, problem-solving, and writing skills. I believe open communication and support between the family, the student and myself is essential for the child's success and having a positive learning experience. I look forward to working with you all and having an excellent school year.

Contact Information

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My Google Voice #

Please contact me with any questions or concerns.



What We Will Study

1st Quarter

- Renaissance, Reformation, and Exploration
- Age of Reason and Enlightenment

2nd Quarter

- Revolutions of the World (focus on the American, French and Industrial revolutions)
- Empire Building / Colonization

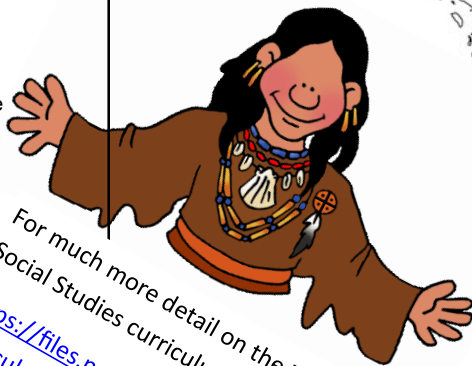
3rd Quarter

- Nationalism and Imperialism
- Modern Wars

4th Quarter

- Cold War
- Contemporary World History

Geography, social studies, reading/writing, & critical-thinking skills will be taught throughout the year.

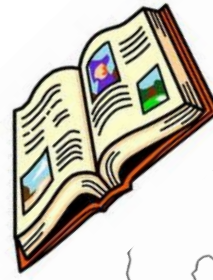


For much more detail on the 7th Grade Social Studies curriculum visit:
<https://files.nc.gov/dpi/documents/curriculum/socialstudies/scos/7.pdf>

TUTORING:

Available Upon Request—
Please try to give me 24-hour notice

I will help with organization and study skills too!



TEXTBOOKS!!!

Books will periodically be used in class.

Students can check out a social studies books any time by speaking with Mr. Kratovil.

All readings and excerpts from books will be on Canvas.

Basic Expectations

- ◆ Respect everyone and the learning environment
- ◆ Be prepared
- ◆ Be Responsible
- ◆ Participate actively & appropriately
- ◆ Put forth best effort and attitude

Classroom Supplies

- Pencil
- Paper
- Binder or a designated spot in a binder



Regularly check PowerSchool for grades and Canvas for assignments and due dates!

There are three types of classroom work periods: Teacher Time, Independent Time, & Group Time. They follow C.H.A.M.P. expectations which are posted in class and covered with students the first few days of school & throughout the year.



GRADING

Per NGMS grading policy, all graded work is given a percentage value. All grades count one (1) time. The actual weight of an assignment comes from the total weight of the category divided by the number of grades in that category. For 7th grade social studies, the categories and weights are:

Tests	40%
Projects/Quizzes	30%
Classwork/Homework	30%

Specific guidelines regarding tests, projects, and classwork will be provided by the teacher.

Most work, directions, due dates, etc. will also be posted on Canvas.

CLASSROOM PROCEDURES

Enter respectfully and move toward your seat. During the first few minutes of class, get prepared (sharpen pencils, get out work, check for starter, etc.) Review the "I Can" statements and Essential Question. The majority of your assignments will be worked on and completed in class. Occasionally you will have homework. You will be given due dates and it will be posted on Canvas. Late work will be accepted according to NGMS Late Work Policy.

Unforeseen absences are handled according to GCS Make-up Work policy. Please email me of known absences.

If some unforeseen *circumstance* prevents you from completing your work, please send me an email. It will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

Together

