**Sixth Grade Social Studies Syllabus**

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**Welcome to Sixth Grade Social Studies!**

This year, we will be studying the culture, economics, geography, government, and history of the diverse regions of the world. The sixth grade social studies program investigates major physical, political, and cultural forces that have shaped societies over time, in addition to teaching students to be global citizens. These units are based on the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS), which can be accessed on the following link: <http://ritter.tea.state.tx.us/rules/tac/chapter113/ch113b.html>

### **Materials Needed Daily -** *these should be replenished as necessary*

* **MCj02901520000[1]Social Studies Folder**: The folder needs to have two sections, with one labeled “**Work in Progress**,” and the other “**Graded Work**.”

\*ALL papers need to stay in your folder until instructed to recycle.

* **Supplies:** A charged Eanes- issued iPad, notebook paper, a blue or black pen, a pencil, a red pen/pencil for checking papers, highlighter, colored pencils, and a personal pencil sharpener.
* **Google Calendar / Assignments:** Daily assignments and homework will be posted on the board in class and may also be found on the Google calendar on my teacher website.
  + **You are responsible for writing down any homework, deadlines, and/or test dates in your daily planner.**Students will have periodic deadlines for long-term assignments, and will know of upcoming tests and projects at least one week in advance. Work is expected to be turned in at the time it is due.

**Textbook**

Student copies of the National Geographic textbook will remain in class, which may be accessed online at the following link: [www.myNGconnect.com](http://www.myNGconnect.com)

* Username: School email address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Password: School email password \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Grading and Assessment**

The numeric grade for each nine weeks will be based on the following:

* 60% Major (tests, projects, and long-term assignments)
* 40% Skills Development (quizzes, homework, daily work)

**Retesting Policy**

Students scoring less than 80% on a major test are eligible to be retested over the information provided they follow the steps in the HCMS retesting contract. Retesting is intended for occasional use to display content mastery. If students retest on a regular basis, parents will be contacted, and study plan will be developed as needed. Students and parents are encouraged to check Skyward Family Access to monitor student grades, with the goal of fostering student responsibility.

### **Absences**

It is the student’s responsibility to obtain and complete missed assignments when absent from class. Please refer to the calendar on my teacher website or contact a classmate for additional information or help. Students will have an extension of 1 day for every day absent without penalty. For questions, please refer to the absence policy in the student handbook: <http://hcms.eanesisd.net/>

**Late Work**

Late work will have a penalty of -10 points per day that it is late. Habitual late work will result in teacher/student conference, parent/teacher conference or additional consequences.

## **Consequences**

* Warning/Talk with student
* Change of seating
* Parent Notification
* Office Referral

## **Expectations and Classroom Management**

**Respect**

\*Listen and follow directions

\*Respect self, others, and property

**Pride**

\*Be Responsible

\*Be Prepared

**Honesty**

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#### Helpful Information

* Students may print, write in cursive, or type their assignments.
* Students must use either blue or black ink, or a pencil.
* Red pens and red pencils are reserved for grading.
* Keep all Social Studies papers until instructed by your teacher. All papers need to stay in your folder until instructed to recycle.
* Watch the news, read the paper, and browse the internet to keep up with world events.
* Have fun while learning!

If you have questions, comments or concerns please e-mail me at **cjones@eanesisd.net.** You may also call me at 732-9227 at extension **31225**. I look forward to exploring our world with you and your family!

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