



Introduction

Welcome to Social Studies class with Mr. Wiesen. This year we will be learning about American History starting from the arrival of Native Americans through the American Civil War. We will also spend a unit learning about the Constitutions of both the United States and Illinois.

Class Materials

Here are the materials you will need the following:

1. Text book: America: History of Our Nation (Leave it at home or wherever you study/do homework. There will only be a few day where I will ask you to bring in your textbooks. When that happens, I will give you at least one day's notice so that you can be prepared. I do have some extra copies of the textbook in class.)
2. Folder or 3 ring binder
3. Spiral notebook
4. Pens and pencils
5. Highlighters

Assessments

Reading quizzes- I will give out open-note reading quizzes after every reading assignment. You may hand write or type your notes. However, if your notes are typed you must show me your notes in class before taking the quiz.

Writing- I will assign writing assignments for homework from time to time and writing assessments on the day before a test about every other chapter. I will explain the rules for writing with each assignment/assessment

Projects- I will occasionally assign both individual and group projects. I will allow for some class time to plan and work on these projects, but there may be times where you must complete the projects outside of class time.

Tests- Tests will be given at the end of every chapter. The format of the tests will primarily be multiple choice, matching, and short answer essays.

Class Rules

Any student who I find to be disruptive during class will be given 2 warnings by me, and if there there is a third disruption, that student will be given lunch detention. All other school rules apply.

Absences and Late Work

If you are absent, you will have as many days as you were gone to make up the work that you missed during your time away. If you know you are going to be absent in advance, please see Mr. Wiesen ASAP so that we can make arrangements.

All out of class assignments will be turned in to me at the beginning of class. If you have not completed or do not have the assignment to turn in when it is due, you may still turn it in any day before that chapter's test for half credit. Once the test date for that chapter has passed, you may still turn in the assignment, but no credit will be given for it.

I will give out 2 "get out of jail free" cards to each student for the entire school year. Students may use them at anytime throughout the year if an assignment has not been completed or submitted on time. If a student attaches a "get out of jail free" card to the assignment, that student will receive full credit for the assignment as long as it is turned in before that chapter's test date. Any submission after the test date will be given no credit. The "get out of jail free cards" will not be accepted for major projects in which students have been given multiple days to work on the project.

Extra Credit

I will occasionally give out extra credit assignments. However, I will not give students the points they have earned on extra credit assignments until all regular credit assignments have been completed and submitted.

Class Website

I will update our class website daily. There you will find all of the assignments and materials for the class as well as a schedule of the day's and week's lessons. The website can be found at socialstudieswithmrwiesen.weebly.com

Contact Mr. Wiesen

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I have read Mr. Wiesen's class syllabus and understand the rules and procedures in Social Studies class and in Saint Mary School.

Student name printed _____

Student signature _____

Parent signature _____

Date _____

