

Advanced Sixth Grade Social Studies – Mrs. Amanda West – Thomas County Upper Elementary School

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Remind101 – see attached handout

<http://merit6socialstudies.weebly.com/>

Course Description:

“Activities will focus on conflict and change, culture, governance, human environmental interactions, location, production, distribution, and consumption, time, change and continuity.”

Course Requirements:

Students will

- Maintain a Social Studies notebook with daily notes, vocabulary, study guides, writing assignments, assessments, and research.
- Maintain a vocabulary composition book; to be used for building a solid social studies vocabulary
- Complete a project each nine weeks in a timely manner following guidelines provided by the teacher
- Complete a project in the Georgia Social Studies Fair for possible competition to be held in January.

Homework Expectation:

Students will

- Spend a minimum of 15 minutes nightly reviewing their notes from that day’s lesson.
- Complete any classroom assignments not completed during class or additional assignments assigned by Mrs. West
- All homework is expected the following day unless otherwise stated by Mrs. West.

Behavioral Expectations:

Students will

- Attend class with all supplies needed for the class.
- Enter the classroom quietly, sharpen pencil as needed, be seated, and be prepared for class to begin. All students will complete a question of the day activity.
- Follow classroom expectations as posted and all behavioral expectations of the school as outlined in the student handbook

Grading:

- Daily Grades 30%
- Quiz Grades 15%
- Unit Test 35%
- Project 20%

- **Make-up Policy:** Students will be given five days past the end of a reporting period to complete missing work. Work turned in late will be penalized ten points. All missing work will be given a zero after the five day grace period. Please refer to the Parent/Student handbook.

Quarterly Content Outline:

- **First Nine Weeks:**
 - “Connecting Themes used in Sixth Grade Social Studies”
 - “Europe Today”
 - “Environmental and Economic Forces in Europe”
- **Second Nine Weeks**
 - “Europe’s Historical Influence”
 - Lessons will be tied into Language curriculum
 - “Latin America Today”
- **Third Nine Weeks**
 - “Environmental and Economic Forces in Latin America”
 - “Latin America’s Cultural Legacy”
 - Lessons will be tied into Spanish curriculum
 - “Canada Today”
- **Fourth Nine Weeks**
 - “Environmental and Economic Forces in Canada”
 - “Australia”
 - “Your Financial Future”

In the event of a change in the syllabus, students and parents will be notified and an updated syllabus will be posted on website