

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

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### 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, graphic organizers, vocabulary, study guides, writing assignments, assessments, and research.
- Maintain a vocabulary composition book; to be used for building 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 National History Day for possible competition to be held in February. Students must make an A or B on the project to compete.
- Participate in an enhanced curriculum, individual research, and a look at seventh grade standards.

### 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.
- Projects will be given in advance so that time management can be used to complete the project.

### 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

## Quarterly Content Outline:

- **First Nine Weeks:**
  - “Connecting Themes used in Sixth Grade Social Studies”
  - “Europe Today”
  - “Environmental and Economic Forces in Europe”
  - Begin National History Day topic selection/research
- **Second Nine Weeks**
  - “Europe’s Historical Influence”
  - “Latin America Today”
  - Complete National History Day research
- **Third Nine Weeks**
  - “Environmental and Economic Forces in Latin America”
  - “Latin America’s Cultural Legacy”
  - “Canada Today”
  - National History Day competition; projects due
  - Read *The Cay*
  - “If I Were Mayor, I Would...” writing competition
- **Fourth Nine Weeks**
  - “Environmental and Economic Forces in Canada”
  - “Australia”
  - “Your Financial Future”
  - Seventh Grade standards

Syllabus may be revised during the year.