World Studies Parent Letter Home January – May 2013 Christian Lugo

TO: Parents of World Studies students FROM: Christian Lugo

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I wanted to take this time to introduce myself. My name is Christian Lugo and I am a senior at Rider University with a double major in Secondary Education and History. I have been co-operating with two History teachers in Montgomery High School since the end of January and have been working side by side with Mr. Stemmler in World History on such units as The Age of Exploration & Imperialism. As we approach learning about the 20th century, mainly focusing on the two World Wars and the impact that they had on the world, I will be taking over your child's class as part of the student teaching experience. At the time of this letter, I have already begun to teach on the causes of World War I with Mr. Stemmler still having a presence in the classroom. Eventually, he will leave the classroom solely to me as I do have a substitute license within the district. However, we are constantly aligning our schedules so we are on roughly the same page in terms of where we are within the curriculum.

Outside of that introduction, I am also taking this time to share with you my expectations for the remainder of the year. Eventually I will hand the classroom back over to Mr. Stemmler. The course responsibilities and behavior expectations remain the same. If you wish to become re-acquainted with them they can be found on Mr. Stemmler's website. We both have similar personalities and teaching styles when it comes to making History as interesting and creative as possible for the students. The only thing that will change will be who is in front of the class and, of course, smaller everyday occurrences such as homework assignments, journal entries, etc...

I really am looking forward to this opportunity. Over the past few weeks I have had the chance to get to know the students in the class and the faculty at Montgomery High School. I am also looking forward to working with the students as well as you, the parent or guardian. I hear great things about parent involvement in the academic growth of their students in this district.

If you have any questions, you can reach me through Mr. Stemmler and his email: PStemmler@mtsd.us

Best, Christian Lugo