

Social Studies Class Requirements

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Welcome to 8th Grade Social Studies! This year we will continue to develop mastery of the Common Core Reading and Writing Standards, integrating them with our State Content Standards. The State Content Standards for 8th grade cover United States history from the Revolutionary War to World War I.

Classroom Guidelines

I anticipate having a wonderful year together and to ensure that happens, here a few guidelines that we will follow together. Should you fail to follow them, there will be consequences.

- Make a good decision
- Show respect
- Solve the problem
- Have fun!

Rewards

- Redd's Rock Star Stickers 😊
- Text Message on Remind
- Special Treats & Privileges
- Satisfaction in a Job Well Done!

Consequences

- Seat Change
- Loss of Classroom Privileges
- Detention
- Phone Call Home
- Office Referral

Certain offenses, such as vandalism, fighting (including in play), sexual harassment, and inappropriate use of technology, will result in an immediate referral to the office.

Homework and Grading

Homework must be turned in on time. It is your responsibility to write down your homework in your planner at the beginning of each period. Grades can be checked on the Parent Portal at parents.ewcsd.org.

Grade Based on points earned on class work, homework, quizzes, tests, and projects.

Late Work Late homework may be turned in the next class period. Late work is reduced to a D.

Absences Attendance has a direct effect on your ability to perform on assessments and keep up with homework. Therefore, make every effort to be at school each day. If you are absent, you have the same amount of days as you were absent to make up your work. You can copy the planner and download assignments from Google Classroom or retrieve copies from the Missed Assignments folder when you return.

Academic Dishonesty All class work, homework, and tests must be your own work. Copying homework will result in a zero that can't be made up for both parties involved. Cheating on assessments will result in an office referral.

Tardies Being on time to class is very important. Three tardies will result in a detention.

Materials All supplies must be obtained by the second week of school. If you need help getting any of the supplies, please talk to me and I will give them to you. (See *Social Studies Materials*)

Please read and sign back →

Commitment to Partnership

Education is most effective when it involves a partnership and commitment between students, parents, and teachers. In order to ensure that this is the best possible year, please join with me in committing to the following:

As a student, I will:

- Always do my best work and come to school prepared with my homework and supplies.
- Be kind, helpful, and respectful to my classmates and teachers and obey the rules.
- Keep up to date on assignments and extend my learning by using our class website (www.reddsocialstudies.com) on a regular basis.

As a parent/guardian, I will:

- Show respect and support for my child, the teachers, and the school.
- Support the school's discipline policy.
- Provide a quiet, well-lit place for study and supervise the completion of homework.
- Stay informed and involved in my child's education by checking his/her planner and regularly checking my child's grades on the Parent Portal at parents.ewcsd.org.

As a teacher, I will:

- Show respect for each child and for his or her family.
- Provide a safe and comfortable environment that's conducive to learning.
- Enforce school and classroom rules fairly and consistently.
- Supply students and parents with clear evaluations of progress and achievement via the Parent Portal at parents.ewcsd.org and information via our class website <http://reddsocialstudies.weebly.com>.

Student and Parent Acknowledgement

I have read and understand the Class Guidelines and agree to the Commitment to Partnership for Mrs. Redd's class.

Student Name _____ Period _____

Student Signature _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name(s) _____

Parent Signature _____

REMIND FOR PARENTS: I have signed up for Remind Yes _____ No _____

Parents: If you have NOT signed up for Remind, please initial to indicate that you have chosen NOT to utilize Mrs. Redd's primary method of communication. Parent's Initials _____

PHOTOS FOR BULLETIN BOARD I take pictures of the students throughout the year. With your permission, the photos will be posted on the bulletin board to develop a sense of community. Do you give your permission for your child's pictures to be used in this way? Yes _____ No _____

PHOTOS FOR WEBSITE/INSTAGRAM With your permission, photos will be posted on our class website/Instagram so that you can see what your child is experiencing in social studies class. Do you give your permission for your child's pictures to be used in this way? Yes _____ No _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Work Phone _____ Home Language _____

Email _____