6th, 7th, 8th Social Studies
History Through Visual Arts Elective
6th Career Exploration
6th, 7th, 8th, MTSS

Instructor: Mrs. Rullman

Rationale

- 6th Grade Social Studies explores Ancient Civilizations and links them together. That information is then taken to learn about changes through time. All information learned is compared to life today and how there are differences and similarities between people from all time periods in history.
- 7th Grade Social Studies is split into two separate semesters. The first semester is Geography where students explore the world by continent. Geographical features are discussed and applied to why people used the land the way they did throughout history because of the geography around them. The second semester changes to Kansas History. Students learn about the history of the lands that become the state of Kansas.
- 8th Grade Social Studies focuses on U.S. History. The time period for this class is from the first human contact to the lands that become the U.S.A. until after the Reconstruction Era. Students learn about the foundations of the government, changes that occur throughout history, and how all people still want the same base things in the country they call home.
- History Through Visual Arts Elective explores various time periods throughout history using different visual arts. Examples are videos, movies, pictures, art forms, political cartoons, and historical figures speeches. Students help choose the topics from history that are learned for the class.
- 6th Grade Career Exploration will explore a variety of careers that students could pursue once they are done with their school career. Students will learn about themselves first to understand what careers might fit their personalities best before moving onto learning about a variety of career options. This is a semester long class only.
- MTSS Reading is for students who need the extra time to catch up to reading level. This class is one that students are placed in based on testing and their needs. Students will read novels based on the time periods they are learning about in their Social Studies classes. They will complete activities based on those novels. The focus is reading comprehension, reading aloud, and allowing students extra time to complete work from all classes.

Methods of Instruction and Evaluation

Methods of Instruction and Evaluation will include, but are not limited to lecture, homework, quizzes, activities, tests, group work, projects, and papers.

Late Work

Late work is accepted. Students have 2 weeks to turn missing work in, afterwards it will not be accepted. It is the student's responsibility to get any work that was missed because of absence.

Grades

Grades are determined by calculating the percentage of total points earned.

A = 93-100%	A- = 90-93%	B+= 87-89%	B= 83-86%
B-= 80-82%	C+= 77-79%	C= 73-76%	C-= 70-72%
D+= 67-69%	D= 63-66%	D-= 60-62%	F= 0-59%

Grading Key

Example	Letter Stands For	Number Stands For
A4.2	activity	unit & activity number
EC4	extra credit	EC number
T1	test	unit number
W3.5	worksheet	unit & worksheet number
VW1	video worksheet	worksheet number

Classroom Rules

1. No cheating or plagiarizing. Do not share answers with another person, do not look at another person's work for answers, do not take answers from the internet (unless doing research and citing it correctly), or do anything that I will suspect is taking another person's work instead of doing it yourself.
2. Appropriate behavior is expected in this class. Inappropriate behavior includes classroom disruptions when the teacher is instructing. This includes sharpening pencils, talking, leaving your seat, sleeping, throwing trash, inappropriate language, lack of school supplies, or anything that takes the focus of other students. Be respectful of each other and each person's learning.
3. Do not be tardy to class. Four unexcused tardies will result in a detention to be served before or after school with the teacher. If detentions are not served within one week it is turned into the office.
4. No cell phones in class per school requirements. Cell phones are turned in to the first hour teacher (silenced) and will remain there until the end of the school day. This rule also applies to headphones, earbuds, and smart watches. The only exceptions are with teacher permission.
5. No hats or hoodies permitted per school requirements. Exceptions are made for spirit days.
6. No food or candy is permitted in class, unless allowed by the teacher for special days. Water is the only permitted drink per school requirements. Exceptions will be made for medical reasons.
7. Come into the classroom ready to work, with appropriate supplies for the class.
8. Leaving the classroom is not permitted the first five minutes of class, when the teacher is instructing the lesson, and the last five minutes of class. A student may ask to leave when they are working independently or with a group, but not when the teacher is giving instructions so that they do not miss anything themselves and do not disrupt their fellow students.
9. Do not line up before the bell rings. Please do not pack up early, especially if instruction is still going on.