

Welcome to Our Curriculum Chat!

6th Grade World History:

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7th Grade Civics:

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8th Grade US History:

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Communication

You can best contact us via schoology and Email!

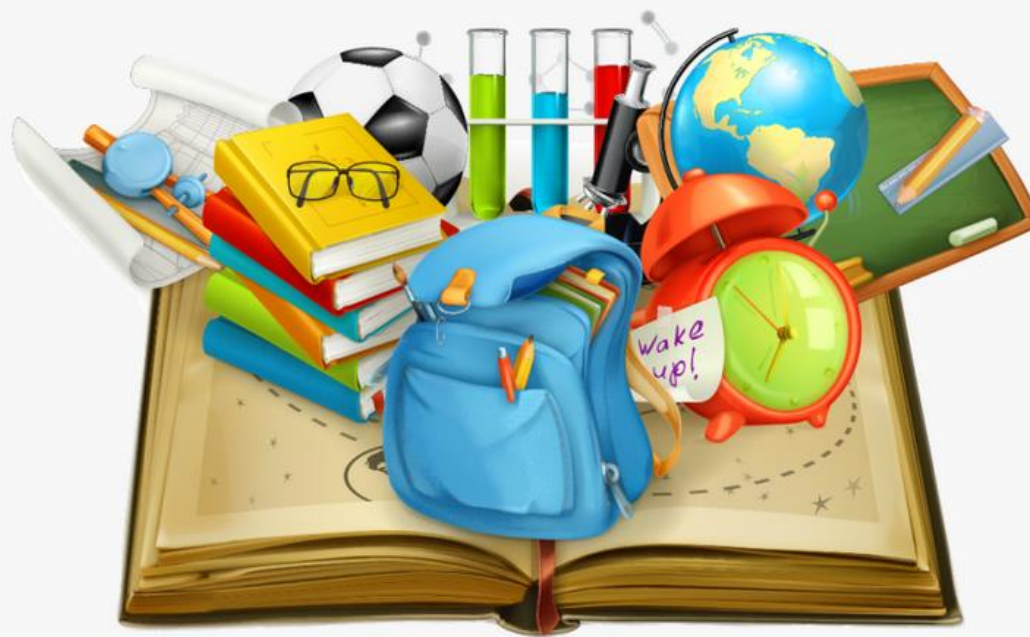
We welcome communication and will stay in contact through:

- Email
- Schoology
- Phone or video calls

IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TEACHERS HAVE UP TO 48 SCHOOL HOURS TO RESPOND TO AN EMAIL. PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT TIME SENSITIVE CONCERNS, SUCH AS TRANSPORTATION CHANGES VIA EMAIL.



Curriculum



Year at a Glance:

6th Grade World History

World History is Comprised of:

- Geography
- Measuring Time skills
- Primary and Secondary Source Analysis
- The Paleolithic and Neolithic Eras
- Ancient Civilizations Such as: Mesopotamia, Egypt, India, China, Greece, Rome, The Hebrews

[CLICK HERE FOR THE WORLD HISTORY YEAR AT A GLANCE](#)



Year at a Glance

7th Grade Civics

Course Description: The primary content for the course pertains to the principles, functions, and organization of government; the origins of the American political system; the roles, rights, responsibilities of United States citizens; and the methods of active participation in our political system.

Curriculum Focus Areas: The topics will be explored through a variety of resources and strategies including, but not limited to, textbook/workbook, political cartoons, online resources, online games, close-reading strategies, and Document Based Questions (DBQs). The following are links to the New Generation Sunshine State Standards and Common Core Standards that will be covered in class.

<http://www.cpalms.org/Public/Search/CriteriaSearch?search=Standards&subjectId=32&gradeId=12>



Civics Unit Outline:

Unit 1: Citizenship

Unit 2: Voting, Elections, and Political Parties

Unit 3: Foundation of American Democracy

Unit 4: The United States Constitution

Unit 5: Rights and Responsibilities – The Amendments

Unit 6: The Legislative, Executive and Judicial Branch

Unit 7: The American Legal System

Unit 8: The State Government

Unit 9: Your Local Government

Unit 10: World Affairs and Comparative Government

Unit 11: Public Issues and the Media

Unit 12: Civic and Political Engagement

Unit 13: Economics and Geography

End of Course (EOC) Exam: The Civics EOC assessment will be a cumulative exam covering the standards of the entire year that will count **30% of the student's final grade.**

Communication: Our class information will be posted in Schoology and is updated frequently. Weekly updates will be posted every Friday to keep students and parents up to date on what is going on.



Top 10 Things To Know About 8th Grade **US History**

10) Make up work – students should check the assignment board, missing work file, or Schoology.

9) Being prepared is necessary to be successful in this class. Students are responsible for writing down assignments in a planner, paying attention to class responsibilities, and bringing materials to class. Students need their composition notebook, pencils, scissors, post it's and tape on a regular basis.

7) Schoology!!!! Most everything will be available in Schoology. In the event of an absence or quarantine, work will be uploaded in Schoology.

6) Homework – I very rarely give homework.... Exception – study for tests and quizzes and project assignments.

5) Communication- Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns or questions.

4) Textbook- will be used sporadically. It can be accessed from home, (if needed) from the PVA homepage.

3) Grades: I post all grades to the home access center as soon as possible. Please check your student's grades periodically. They should always know where they are in class.

2) Topics in this course- We will cover the study of American History from the Exploration and Colonization period to the Reconstruction period following the Civil war. For more information go to <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/year-at-a-glance/>

1) US History does not have an EOC (end of course exam) in May!



Parent Conferences

If there is ever a time you would like to speak with me about your child's learning environment, feel free to send an email with any questions, or reach out and we can schedule a virtual conference.

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Phone conferences are also a **great** option. 😊



Homework

- Actual time will vary with each student's study habits and academic skills.
- Suggested time frame is 10 minutes per GRADE. Ex. – 6th grade = 60 min.
- If a child is spending an inordinate amount of time on homework, please contact us.
- Homework will be communicated via Schoology and Student Planner

Students should always have at least one Independent Reading book with them at all times.



Thank you!

It is a pleasure to partner with you in this year's educational journey. We appreciate your continued support.

We Pursue Excellence. We Value All. We Achieve Success.

