6^{IH} GRADE TEAM:

Social Studies- Mr. Sullivan Rm 238

Consultant Teacher- Ms. Beyer Rm 238

Science- Mrs. Konieczny Rm 244

ELA and Writing- Ms. Jensen Rm 242

Math- Ms. Blenk Rm 240

ATTENDANCE

- Students are expected to participate in virtual classes every day that school is in session.
- Students are expected to be available for virtual classes during normal school hours Attendance will be taken each period.
- Attendance means the student is on a google meet, on time, and stays for the entire meeting, until the teacher dismisses the class.
 - The student must also complete the work assigned for that class on that day if it is due on that day.
- Students must participate and have their cameras on for the duration of the virtual session in order to be counted as present.

Attendance continued

- Students will be marked tardy if they come into a google meet late. If they are 5 minutes or more late, they may not be admitted into class.
 - If students are going to miss school or a class, they need to contact the classroom teacher and copy the main office.
 - If students don't participate in the google meet it's considered an illegal absence.
- If a student leaves early from a meet, they will be marked absent.
- Wednesday attendance/asynchronous days Attendance is based on work completion for that day.

Communication

- Email
- Google Guardian
- Assigned contact person
- Unified Classroom

SOCIAL STUDIES

The content we will cover in 6th Grade Social Studies is both challenging and exciting. Students will be learning about the development of the Eastern Hemisphere from the Early Settlers of the world until the Middle Ages. Some of the topics/civilizations we will cover are:

- ✓ China
- ✓ Rome
- ✓ Greece
- ✓ Middle Age Europe

Students will learn through a variety of new ways including:

- ✓ Creating iMovies
- ✓ "Social Media Posts"
- ✓ Nearpod
- ✓ Meme Generators
- ✓ Google Classroom Activities



Students MUST respect diverse cultures, languages, names, etc. as we will be learning to be global citizens
Students are encouraged to keep up with current events on the news (CNN10 is a great resource as it is short and geared towards MS students, but any news report is complete fine with me!)
Students need to come to class prepared and ready to work with all adults and peers.

SCIENCE

- This year in 6th grade science, students will be following the New York State Middle School Science Learning Standards (there is a link to the standards on my webpage)
- The Middle School Standards are broken down into Course 1 (6th grade), Course 2 (7th grade), and Course 3 (8th grade)
- The topics we will be exploring this year are:

Physical Science

Topic 1: Introduction to Matter

Topic 2: Solids, Liquids, and Gases

Topic 3: Energy

Topic 4: Thermal Energy

Earth Science

Topic 5: Introduction to Earth's Systems

Topic 6: Weather in the Atmosphere

Topic 7: Minerals and Rocks in the Geosphere

Topic 8: Plate Tectonics

Topic 9: Earth's Surface Systems

Life Science

Topic 10: Living Things in the Biosphere

<u>Virtual Platforms for Science</u>

- SAVVAS Realize
- Nearpod
- Newsela
- BrainPop
- Study Jams
- Super Science Magazine

READING/WRITING:

• This year's ELA class has been split into Readers' and Writers' Workshops.

Reading

- Deep study of Character Tapping the Power of Non-Fiction Social Issues Clubs

Writing

- Narrative
- Argument/Opinion
- Informational

ELA platforms

Resources:

Google classroom has how to tutorials under classwork tab resources

Websites:

Epic- free online books

Nearpod

Newsela

<u>MATH</u>

This year in math we will cover 5 learning standards:

- The Number System
- Expressions & Equations
- Geometry
- Statistics & Probability
- Ratios & Proportional Relationships

Math Resources:

- Notes on Google classroom- Classwork- Resources
- Textbook
- Posted Videos

Intervention:

• 30 minutes of iReady math PER WEEK

Math virtual platforms:

- Savvas
- Reflex Math
- Nearpod
- iReady

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I am here to provide support to any student or family. Please reach out with any concerns or questions.



Goals:

- Check in weekly with students
- Offer social opportunities through google meets
- Provide guidance with social emotional, career, and academic support and education

6th Grade Specials







This year our First and Second Quarter Specials are Music, Life Skills, Tech and P.E.

- Each Special has their own dedicated classroom (P.E., Music, Life Skills, Tech)
- Students are expected to check in to the Specials Classroom at their scheduled times
- Attendance and work completion will be visible on Report Cards and participation is mandatory
- Students are required to attend meets and/or complete all daily assignments

Connect with your teachers on Google Classroom with any questions or comments. Thanks, we look forward to working with you!