

Social Studies 7: Geography/History

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Plan Time: 4th Hour (10:14–11:02 AM)

Class Overview: This course will cover many different aspects of geography and history. We will start with the basic skills of geography and maps, then cover different regions of the world while covering history and tying in current events of the world. The second semester will cover different aspects of Kansas History.

Geography/History 7 Units: This course will cover a variety of geography and history topics covering the entire globe. The following units will be covered:

- Introduction to Geography/Map Skills
- Human/Physical Geography
- North America
- South America
- Europe
- North Africa/Middle East
- Sub Saharan Africa
- Southeast Asia
- East Asia
- Central America
- Kansas History (3rd/4th 9 Weeks)
- Current Events/Civics/Student News

STUDENTS NEED TO BRING DAILY:

- Chromebook
- Social Studies Notebook (NEED BY WEDNESDAY 8/12)
- Pencil or writing utensil
- **OPTIONAL MATERIALS:** Scissors, glue, markers, colored pencils are good to have your own!

Teacher Goal: My goal for 7th graders is to gain a better understanding of the world and how complex it really is. I strive to expose students to different areas of the world that have different religions, cultures, and ways of life to develop a sense of perspective when looking at Geopolitics.



TEACHER/STUDENT EXPECTATIONS & RESPONSIBILITIES

* RESPECTFUL

* PREPARED

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* APPROPRIATE

* EFFORT

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BEHAVIOR CHOICES = CONSEQUENCES

POSITIVE BEHAVIOR CHOICES = POSITIVE CONSEQUENCES

* Class rewards

* Candy

* Free seating

* Free time

* Music/computer

The more positive behavior you have builds trust with Mr. Fluty. Some classes will have different privileges than others based on behavior.

NEGATIVE BEHAVIOR CHOICES = NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES

1st Consequence – Student/Teacher Conversation or Warning

2nd Consequence – Student detention & Parent Contact

3rd Consequence – Office Referral

4th Consequence – Office Referral & ISS (In School Suspension)

Not all consequences are equal: certain actions can skip consequences if they are more severe such as: explicit slurs/cursing, harassment, destruction of property, or physical violence or fighting.

ZERO TOLERANCE: I have ZERO tolerance for bullying, making fun of other students,

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talking about other students/teachers, innuendos, slurs, ect...

IF IT'S UNACCEPTABLE FOR A TEACHER TO SAY OR ACT IN A CERTAIN WAY, THEN IT IS ALSO UNACCEPTABLE FOR A STUDENT.

GRADES

Grading/Evaluation Policy: Course grades will be based upon assignments, projects, class participation, and tests. Grades are based on total points earned.

90–100 = A 80–89 = B 70–79 = C 60–69 = D 59–Below = F

*** ALWAYS CHECK SKYWARD FOR YOUR OFFICIAL GRADE, NOT GOOGLE CLASSROOM! ***

Late Work Policy: Any assignment that is turned in after the due date will be graded as follows: **1 Day Late = 70% Credit, 2 Days Late or after = 50% Credit**

– 50% Credit is allowed on all work until the end of the unit. After the unit is passed, no credit will be given for the work.

– Late work needs to be turned into the late basket for the student's hour at the back of the room.

Missing Assignments: The student is responsible for checking to make sure all of their assignments have been completed and turned into the basket. If a student is absent, it is their responsibility to come to the teacher to get any and all work that was missed.

Where do I turn in my work? Turn in work assigned to the basket for your hour at the back of the room. Never leave it on Mr. Fluty's desk or try to give it to the teacher.

Absent Work: Students who are absent may turn in work with the additional days they were absent.

*** (Example: 1 day absent = 1 day extra, 2 days absent = 2 days extra) STUDENTS are RESPONSIBLE for collecting absent work and completing the assignments within the appropriate time limit.**

*** Sports/school function absences are not included in extra time. Athletes or students with school activities need to come get the work beforehand.**

*** BEING ABSENT/MISSING CLASS WILL MAKE UNDERSTAND/GRASPING CONCEPTS MORE DIFFICULT. THERE IS NO REPLACEMENT FOR PRESENT IN CLASS & IN PERSON. GOOGLE CLASSROOM IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR THIS.**

Where can I find my make up work when I am absent?

* The first place to check when you are absent is the folders at the front of the room when you return for notes, handouts, or assignments when you are absent from class. Mr. Fluty will not remind you.

CLASSROOM PROCEDURES

Labeling Assignments: Please make sure that assignments have a name, date, and hour on them. **If you hand in a paper with no name it is a 10% deduction in the overall grade of the assignment, quiz, or test.** Papers with no names are posted on the no-name board at the front left of the classroom.

Pencil or Pen: **Any assignment we turn in or grade needs to be done in PENCIL.**

Assignments done in pen or marker will be returned for no grade and counted as a late/missing assignment.

Food & Drink: No food, candy, soda, or coffee are allowed in the classroom. Any drink you have should have a lid. Water is okay. **EVERY TEACHER IS DIFFERENT!**

* Gum is okay in my class as long as I don't start finding gum or having to pick up wrappers.

* Food or drink should not be brought back from the lunch room.

Substitutes: The same rules apply as when a substitute is here. I expect the same, if not better behavior from EMS students while a substitute teacher or guest is in our building. **Any student who has their name left by a substitute for not working or not following classroom expectations, will be addressed by Mr. Fluty, contacting parents, or a detention assigned.**

Class of the Day: When I am absent the substitute will rate each class on a scale of 1–5 stars. The class with the highest rating or the class the substitute picks as "class of the day" will receive a reward of some kind when I return.

Restrooms: Students are expected to use the restroom or get a drink during the passing period. Students who need to leave the room for drink, locker, or the restroom will need to use a pass from their pass page.

CLASSROOM PROCEDURES CONTINUED...

Cell Phones/Devices: Students should have cell phones powered off as they leave the commons area in the morning. Cell phones should be powered off and put away in your locker.

- Backpacks/sling bags are not allowed in classes either.
- Earbuds and headphones are not allowed unless given permission by Mr. Fluty in class. These should not be worn in the hallways.

Chromebook Use: The use of chromebooks is a privilege for students and we will use them as needed. Each teacher has different policies and procedures for chromebooks. The district **DOES** monitor chromebook use. Whether you are at school or at home, using the chromebook for inappropriate use will trigger notifications to administrators.

HALLWAY PROCEDURES / BEHAVIOR

Hallway/Passing Period: You have four minutes between classes to use the restroom and get where you need to go. ALL hallways have cameras for students and staff safety. School rules still apply when you are in the hallway or the bathroom.

- Keep your hands and feet to yourself in the hallway.
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- The bathroom is not a social gathering place.
- Constant messing around or destruction to bathrooms results in the hall bathrooms being locked. This means you have to go further to the office to use the restroom.
- If individuals have multiple issues in the hallway/bathroom, consequences could be detention, phone call/email to parents, office referral, ISS, OSS. 😞

I hope to have a great school year with everyone. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you!

Mr. Fluty