**Welcome to 6th Grade World History**

**Mrs. Richardson**

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Planning Blocks: 1st Block (8:20-9:54) text messages:

 5th Block (8:20-9:54) To: 81010

Zero Block: Thursday 7:30-8:00 Text: @rich6hist

**Course Information**

This year students will learn about the beginnings of civilization in the Eastern Hemisphere. We will begin our journey by exploring the concepts of prehistory and history. We will then continue learning about the origins of several ancient civilizations in the Eastern Hemisphere. In each chapter we will begin by exploring the physical geography then learning about the culture, religion, and government that developed in each society.

**Classroom Materials**

You will need: ~ a section in one of your binders to keep all papers

 ~ pencils, highlighters, colored pencils, black pen, lined paper

 ~ your computer…CHARGED

**Classroom Expectations**

* Be prepared for class with all assignments or homework.
* Turn in assignments on time. Be responsible.
* Be an active listener and follow directions the first time they are given.
* Please raise your hand before speaking.
* Be respectful to your teacher and classmates.

**Grading**

My grading will follow the guidelines set in the handbook. Minor grades will comprise 34% and major grades will be 66% of each student’s average. Students will need to organize their binder according to each chapter/unit that we study. Those items will include section notes, vocabulary terms, maps, and other assignments from class. I will give bonus opportunities throughout the year, but **I will not make up extra credit opportunities for students who do not turn in assignments or take advantage of them when they are offered. \*Students can make 20 (or more) hand-written note cards for 5 bonus points on EVERY TEST!** I will also **add up to 10 bonus points** to the lowest test grade for students who turn in their **unused bathroom passes** at the end of the nine weeks.

**Absent/Missing Work**

If a student is absent, it is their responsibility to ask for their make-up work. All missed work is due by the second class after the absence per the student handbook. If a student knows they will be absent when work is due, they should turn it in early or see me to make other arrangements; otherwise, it will go in the gradebook as an NG/ZERO. If an assignment (homework, classwork, quiz or test) is due the day of an absence, work must be turned in and/or test taken the day the student returns. Each day the assignment is late, I will deduct points from your grade. All projects are due **on** their due date. It is **extremely** **important** to turn work in ***ON TIME***!

**Snacks and Water**

Students may have a snack and water during W.A.R. Time held in 2nd and 6th blocks. Students need to bring their own water bottle since water fountains are closed except for the refill station.

**Computers & Headphones**

Students must bring their fully charged Chromebook **and charger** to school every day. They will also need a pair of headphones or earbuds.

**Cell Phones**

\*\*NO CELL PHONES ARE ALLOWED TO BE OUT OF YOUR BOOKBAG DURING CLASS UNLESS GIVEN PERMISSION BY THE TEACHER!

I look forward to a great year with each of you!

Mrs. Richardson

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Units of Study:

(ALL units and timing are subject to change depending on our ability to stay in school).

**1st 9 Weeks**

Geography

Characteristics of a Civilization

Mesopotamia and the Fertile Crescent

Judaism

Begin Ancient Egypt

**2nd 9 Weeks**

Continue Ancient Egypt

Ancient India

Ancient China

**3rd 9 Weeks**

Ancient Greece

Ancient Rome

**4th 9 Weeks**

The Middle Ages in Europe

The Renaissance and Reformation

The Age of Exploration

**World Religions**

\*\*We will also be introducing the five major religions that developed within these civilizations:

 Judaism

 Islam

 Hinduism

 Buddhism

 Christianity