

Middle School Social Studies and Writing
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Expectations:

You should come to class ready to learn with a positive attitude.

You should respect everyone in the classroom.

You should try your very best even if something is challenging to understand or write.

You should do all the classwork and homework to the best of your ability.

I will do my very best to engage you when we are learning.

I will never leave you behind. You can learn, and you will learn it. I believe in you!

We will have a great year!

Supplies:

1- wide ruled notebook

1-2 pocket folder to store outside materials I give you

1-2 pocket folder for Writer's Workshop

Grading for Social Studies:

Chapter Tests and Projects- 40% (You will have an extra 2 days notice before tests)

(Tests and Quizzes will need to be signed by a parent)

Quizzes for each lesson- 25% (You will have an extra day to study)

Classwork/Homework- 25%

Participation- 10%

I grade classwork and homework on a 2-pt. scale when assigned:

0-if not complete in 2 days

1- if turned in the next day or was not complete the first time

2- full credit.

Grading for Writer's Workshop:

Writing Workshop, as a separate subject, is new to All Saints. The goal of the workshop is for the students to become better writers. Each writing will have a rubric that the student will be graded on. If the rough draft or final is late, points will come off the final essay grade. Plus, it will be considered will be a late homework as well. It is important the rough draft come in on time, because I schedule one on one edits with each student. The student needs to bring their folder to every workshop.

Missed work:

Students are to make up missed work within 2 days of being absent. For extended absences, the student will have 2 make up days for every 1 day missed. If there are extenuating circumstances, I will work with the student.

Extra help:

I get to school early each day and will stay after. The student needs to let me know that they need help. That is part of learning. Parents are more than welcome to email me any concerns or issues they are seeing at home. If they are struggling, especially with writing, please let me know and resist doing it for them. I'm a mom of a teenager who struggles with writing, and I know it's hard. Please let me help them.

Any questions or concerns feel free to email me.

Best Regards,

Mrs. G.