



GEORGIA STUDIES

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Course Description:

Georgia Studies is a year-long course with an emphasis on Georgia and its role in American History. Students will also explore Georgia's geography, state government, and economics. The curriculum is based on the Georgia Standards of Excellence for Georgia Studies.

Unit Topics:

Geography & Economics
Prehistoric Georgia
European Exploration
Colonization
American Revolution

Government
Westward Expansion
Civil War
Reconstruction
Civil Rights Movement
New South

Georgia Through Conflict
Post WWII and 20th Century
Local Government
Juvenile Justice
Personal Finance

Expectations:

Students are expected to be prepared, respectful, responsible, and engaged. Students are expected to come to class each day prepared for the lesson. Prepared and responsible students will come to class with all needed materials and have completed any homework assigned in preparation for class. Students are expected to be respectful with their peers and teacher in person and online. All students have the right to learn and should strive to respect each other and instructional time.

Grading Policy:

Students will have a variety of opportunities for grades. These opportunities will include classwork, assessments (both formative and summative tests), homework, and performance tasks. Grades will be input to the Infinite Campus platform for students and parents to view.

Grading Scale:

A: 90-100
B: 80-89
C: 74-79
D: 70-73
F: 0-69

Classwork:

Students are expected to complete all classroom assignments as individuals and as groups. Classwork should be organized and used by students for reference and assessment review materials.

Performance Tasks:

You will be assigned a performance tasks for each unit. Performance tasks allow students to demonstrate mastery over content and skills studied.

Assessments (formative and summative):

Students can expect to have at least one formative assessment a week and a summative assessment for each unit.

Homework:

Activities completed at home are essential to the learning process and provide students the opportunity to show growth.



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Absences and Make-Up Work:

In the event a student is absent from class, it is the responsibility of the student to obtain make-up assignments. Students are expected to have weekly assignments prepared when returning to class and should be prepared to turn in any assignment that was given prior to the absence if they return on the due date or the due date passes during the absence.

Communication:

Communication is essential to course success. Parents are also encouraged to activate parent accounts in Google Classroom to receive weekly student update.

Updates: Syllabus is subject to change. Changes will be announced in class and a current version will be accessible in google classroom.

Materials:

Pens/Pencils

Paper

Binder

Copy paper

Markers, crayons, or colored pencils



Helpful Hints:

- Establish a study partnership with another student in class.
- Create a quiet space to study in at home.
- Consult the class website regularly.
- Use tools like Remind and Google Classroom calendar view to stay organized.

Small Group and Independent Work:

Friday is reserved for small groups and independent work for students. Students will have the responsibility of completing independent work or attending a small group instruction on Friday. Teachers will post announcements for students who need to attend small group on Friday.

Helpful Resources:

Students will have access to online texts to support their learning. Students may access the full textbook online at <https://www.gpb.org/education/georgia-studies/digital-textbook> and Georgia Journeys Digital Textbook in ClassLink. Students will also use Active Classroom as a virtual resource through ClassLink. Students will have access to textbooks in class upon return to in-person instruction. Textbooks will not be distributed to students. Students can make arrangements to check-out a book from their teacher as needed.

We look forward to a successful year learning about Georgia history!