

SYLLABUS: Social Studies, Grade 6

TEACHER: Mrs. Masters



CURRICULUM

Social Studies includes history, geography, economics, civics, peoples of the nation and world, social studies processes and skills. Sixth grade social studies is an introduction to Ancient World History. The course objectives are aligned with the Maryland Standards for College, Career and Civic Life.

GRADING POLICY

Student grades are based on assessments (50%), classwork (40%), homework/participation (10%).

ASSESSMENT EXPECTATIONS

A variety of assessments will be used to measure what students know and are able to do independently. Students should review notes and vocabulary words regularly to be prepared for quizzes and tests. Quizzes will be given frequently and will not always be announced. All tests will be announced.

CLASSWORK EXPECTATIONS

Students will be asked to read closely, think critically and write thoughtfully. Students will be expected to take notes and to participate actively in class discussions. All assignments should be neat, complete, and turned in on time.

HOMEWORK EXPECTATIONS

Students will be asked to read and respond to text, to study vocabulary and to review important concepts regularly to prepare for tests and quizzes.

MAKEUP PROCEDURE

If a student is absent or tardy, he/she is expected to make up all assignments. It is the student's responsibility to request/complete the missed assignments.

TEACHER/PARENT COMMUNICATION

I look forward to working with you to make this year a very successful year for your child. I encourage you to use the resources below to monitor your child's progress.

- **PowerSchool** – You may access our online gradebook, <https://worcesterk12.powerschool.com/public> to monitor your child's progress. Grades will be updated weekly.
- **Class Website** – I will share information via my class website, www.mrsmasters.com.
- **School Website** – For general school information, go to www.berlinintermediate.org.
- **Schoology** – I will use the Schoology parent portal to communicate with parents. Please sign up to receive important information and reminders. If you have a question about an assignment, please send me a message in [Schoology](#). Click the mail icon, new message, type Masters in the To field to find me, click my name, then type a subject and question. Click send. (HINT: Be sure to choose the Ellen Masters at Berlin Intermediate. My daughter teaches 3rd grade at Buckingham.)
- **Email** - To email me, go to the school website, www.berlinintermediate.org and click on Staff Directory, Teachers, and then the email link below my name.