



WHAT WE'LL LEARN:

### ABOUT THIS (LASS:

In this class, students will learn about the history of the world from the first humans to complex societies and their governments. The goal of this course is not only to inform students of past events, but also to encourage students to analyze information in a way that allows them to form evidence-based perspectives. Students will learn the 5 main subsets of social studies (history, geography, civics, economics, and sociology) in a safe environment that encourages risk-taking, discussion, investigation, analysis, debate, and discovery. All content is designed to meet NM Common Core Standards.





Sharpened Pencils or Erasable Pens, One Red Pen, One Highlighter, Two Black Sharpies



One 2-Pocket Plastic Folder with Prongs, One College-Ruled Composition Notebook



Three Glue Sticks, One Set of Markers **OR** Colored Pencils



One Package Lined Index Cards

#### **QUARTER 1: CULTURE & IDENTITY**

Students will journey back to the beginning of mankind and explore the first primitive civilizations. Students will explore how culture shapes the human experience.

#### **QUARTER 2: THE RISE OF CIVILIZATIONS**

Students will learn how various civilizations developed over time and evolved based on their geographical location and unique needs. Students will build on concepts from quarter one to understand how complex civilizations formed.

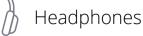
#### **QUARTER 3: GOVERNMENT**

Students will study the origins of modern government when we travel to Greece and Rome. Students will compare and contrast political and cultural structures.

#### **QUARTER 4: CHANGE**

Students will analyze how advancements in technology, science, and medicine changed how societies function and discover what led to the

rise of feudalism.



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### (LASS EXPECTATIONS:

Follow these to "REACH" your full potential!

# R Earn and give **RESPECT**. EA

Always give your best **EFFORT**.

Be **ACCOUNTABLE** and have a positive ATTITUDE

Show **COMPASSION** to others.

#### Be HONEST.

#### GRADING POLICIES:

- Late and/or Missing Assignments NOT Due to an Absence: If the assignment is part of the Participation category, it cannot be made up. If the assignment is part of the Practice or Performance category, it if your responsibility to schedule a meeting with me to discuss options and possible loss of points (as determined by the teacher on a case-by-case basis).
- Absences: Assignments classified as Participation can be made up with no penalty. Sometimes an alternative assignment will be given.. Assignments that are part of the Practice or Performance categories can be made up upon student return as homework with no penalty. The student will have the same number of days to complete the missed assignment as they were absent. It is the student's responsibility to check Google Classroom for missed work and to schedule a meeting with the teacher to discuss missed assignments.
- Concept Mastery: A grade of 80% or higher is generally considered evidence of concept mastery. If a student scores lower than an 80% on unit assessments, opportunities to make corrections for half of the points missed will be offered.
- No late work or corrections will be accepted after the end-of-quarter due date given.

### (URRICULUM DESIGN:

This curriculum is designed to meet the unique needs of a wide variety of learners. Bloom's Taxonomy, Webb's Depth of Knowledge, and NM State Standards for Social Studies drive the course objectives and determine what concepts students will need to master. Performance tasks, paper practice, guizzes, tests, projects, class notes, and in-class discussions ensure students can demonstrate mastery through multiple modalities. and are challenged on multiple levels.

## TYPES OF ASSESSMENTS:

- **PARTICIPATION:** Participation measures how well a student actively participates in the class. Examples include note-taking, class discussions, and attendance.
- **PRACTICE:** Practice assignments are designed to allow students to apply the concepts taught in class. Examples include worksheets, vocabulary exercises, constructed response questions, and exit tickets.
- **PERFORMANCE:** Formal assessments, including tests, quizzes, and final projects, make up the performance category and are designed to allow students to demonstrate mastery. 1:1 assistance is always available.

