



Mr. Eves 7th Grade Social Studies Debate Class

Welcome to 7th grade Social Studies. This year will be very exciting and challenging. Your children will continue to progress from dependent learners to independent, self-sufficient, and mature young ladies and gentlemen. Be prepared to watch your child grow and learn in their best capacity!

All students are expected to take responsibility for their own learning, behavior, rewards, grades, and consequences. I will be responsible for instruction, teaching, and grading. Together, this can be the best year ever!

Items needed for class

- 1. Number 2 pencils. Mechanical pencils are fine.
- 2. Pens are acceptable for classwork. If you choose to use pen, ONLY blue or black please.
- 3. Erasers.
- 4. Agenda. You will need to use this each day. The school will provide this DO NOT LOSE IT!

Classroom Rules

- 1. Respect yourself, others, property, etc.
- 2. Listen to directions, to others, to yourself, etc.
- 3. Be Your Best be on time, think before you speak, try your best, etc.
- 4. Have Fun! laugh often, smile, set goals, celebrate, etc.
- * ALL student cell phones MUST be turned off during class. Any cell phone out or that rings during class (this includes texting) will be confiscated and returned to the parent.

Grading	Classwork = 40% Quizzes/Tests = 20% Homework = 20% 20% Projects = 20%
Individual extra credit assignments WILL NOT be given. Extra credit is given weekly and is embedded in class work, homework, and tests. PLEASE DO ALL EXTRA CREDIT.	Absent students are responsible to get all work that has been missed. A list of work is on the board. Additionally, a student may need to make arrangements to come in at lunch or after school to pick up missed assignments.
Grades will be posted every two weeks and/or progress reports will be sent home. Progress reports should be discussed, signed, and returned for a grade to the teacher. This is part of an ongoing communication between school and home.	Students receive grades according to the following scale: 90-100% = A 80-89% = B 70-79% = C 60-69% = D 0-59% = F

Communication is going to be the key to a very successful year. Here are multiple ways I will be communicating with you on a regular basis.

Communication

- First, I have a class website, that we use daily in class and the students will learn to navigate it
 well. It has all the work we do in class, schedules, updates, assignments, study help,
 announcements, etc. This site is updated DAILY. You can access this from any Internet
 connection and it should be able to answer most questions. The website is: mreves.weebly.com.
 You can also contact me through the website.
- Second, email is another useful way to reach me directly. My email address is reves@psusd.us. THIS IS THE BEST AND QUICKEST WAY TO REACH ME DIRECTLY.
- For DAILY UPDATES, follow the class on Facebook and Twitter at:
 - o www.facebook.com/nnceves
 - o www.twitter.com/nnceves
- School agendas are also helpful. Students are REQUIRED to use them each day. I will check student agendas twice a week. This will have information on assignments and what we did in class that day.
- I will send home progress reports every two weeks listing current grade and listing any missing work that can still be made up.
- Finally, you can always call the school at (760) 770 8617, but email is still BEST...
- Email I will send out a periodic email update (twice a month approximately). Please get on this email distribution list by completing the attached form.
- ParentVUE and the ParentVUE App are great ways to stay on top of your students grades and attendance. Visit our new Parent Center in the main office for more information.

I will also be offering tutoring this year. I expect to have the tutoring schedule out soon and will post it on the website <u>mreves.weebly.com</u>.

Please feel free to contact me at anytime through one of the methods above. I look forward to seeing everyone at Back to School Night. Have a great year!

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PS - Parents often ask if there anything they can contribute to the classroom. If this is you, I sincerely appreciate you investing in your child's education. Most supplies I am set with, but I do have a "Wish List".

My "Wish List" of items include:

Boxes of Tissue, Colored Pencils, Crayons, and Glue Sticks

If you could help out with any of these items, it would be greatly appreciated. I will even offer a few extra credit points to your child to get them started off on the right foot!

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Parent / Student Signature Sheet

Both parents and students must read over this class letter, sign, and return ONLY this sheet to Mr. Eves. Student Name Printed Student Name Signed Parent Name Printed Parent Name Signed Home Phone Number Work or Cell Number E-mail address printed clearly. E-mail will be sent out periodically regarding important updates regarding class assignments, grades, and/or necessary parent contacts. Period Due Date Do you have a computer for student use at home? Yes No Yes No Internet access?

** This is an assignment for a grade. Please complete this form and return it tomorrow. OR Complete the online version by going to mreves.weebly.com.