

**Course Syllabus**  
**Jasper County Middle School**  
**7th Grade World Studies**

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**Course Description:**

Seventh grade is the second year of a two-year World Area Studies course. Seventh grade students study Africa and Asia. The goal of this two-year course is to acquaint middle school students with the world in which they live. The geography domain includes both physical and human geography. The intent of the geography domain is for students to begin to grasp the importance geography plays in their everyday lives. The government/civics domain focuses on selected types of government found in the various areas in order to help students begin to understand the variety of governments in the world. The economics domain builds on the K-5 economics standards; however, the focus shifts from the United States to how other countries answer the basic questions of economics. The history domain focuses primarily on significant events in each region from the twentieth and twenty-first centuries.

<https://www.georgiastandards.org/Georgia-Standards/Pages/Social-Studies-Grade-7.aspx>

**Instructional Goals:**

1 <sup>st</sup> QTR	2 <sup>nd</sup> QTR	3 <sup>rd</sup> QTR	4 <sup>th</sup> QTR
Unit 1 - Connecting Themes	Unit 4 - Origins of Modern Southwest Asia SS7H2, SS7G8	Unit 7 - Historical Background of Southeast Asia SS7H3	Unit 10 - Connections with Africa's Past and Present SS7H1,
Unit 2 - Middle East Today SS7G5, SS7G6, SS7G7, SS7CG3	Unit 5 - Southeast Asia Today SS7G9, SS7G11, SS7G12, SS7CG4	Unit 8 - Africa Today SS7G1, SS7G3, SS7G4, SS7CG1 SS7CG2	Unit 11 - Your Financial Future SS7E10
Unit 3 - Environment and Economics of Southwest Asia SS7G6, SS7G7, SS7E4, SS7E5, SS7E6	Unit 6 - Environment and Economy of Southeast Asia SS7G10, SS7E7, SS7E8, SS7E9	Unit 9 - Environment and Economy SS7G2, SS7E1, SS7E2, SS7E3	

**Class Schedule** Teachers are available to have parent conferences during our planning period 11:30-12:30 and by appointment afterschool.

**Texts and Resources:**

Book: *Clairmont Press World Studies*

USA Test Prep, Flocabulary, ReadWorks, Newsela, Edulastic, EdPuzzle, Quizlet, Gimkit, Kahoot

**Class Expectations:**

- Be engaged
- Come to class prepared
- Do your best
- Show respect for yourself and others
- Ask for help when needed

**School Expectations:**

- **R:** Respectful; **R:** Responsible; **R:** Ready to Learn; **R:** Role Model (The 4 R's).
- Strive for FIVE the C.A.N.E.S Way

**Daily/ Course Supplies:** Pencils, Pens, Composition Notebooks (2-3 compositions for the year), notebook paper, colored pencils (we work with multiple maps and complete multiple projects), scissors, glue sticks, ruler, cap erasers

**Grading Scale:**      Formative Assessments = 70 percent      Summative Assessments = 30 percent

A = 90-100; B = 80-89; C= 70-79; F= lower than 69

**Jasper County Charter School System of 3rd-8th grade Promotion/Retention/Placement**

**PROMOTION / RETENTION / PLACEMENT**

ALL students will be expected to meet the following criteria to be considered for a full promotion:

- A) Participate in Georgia Milestones administration and retest, if applicable.
- B) Pass 3/4 academic subjects.
- C) Meet the minimum requirement of Lexile reading score for grade level.
- D) Must score at the 25% of a norm referenced for math and reading.

The principal has final responsibility for the promotion, retention, and/or placement of all students except for students in special education whose placement must be determined in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). There shall be no appeals of promotion, retention and/or placement decisions beyond school level.

Students at Jasper County Middle School are expected to follow all procedures and policies of the classroom and of the school. Cell phones are not to be used unless specific permission has been given by the teacher. Consequences will be applied according to the school policies and handbook. Students are expected to put forth their best effort, bring all supplies daily, and remember that their education is the purpose for being at school.

**Academic Honesty:** In all work submitted for academic credit, students are expected to represent themselves honestly. No form of student work is exempt from this policy. **Cheating** (getting or giving unauthorized help on an assignment, quiz, or test) and **plagiarism** (submitting work as your own that is someone else's) are forms of academic misconduct with expected disciplinary consequences depending on the severity of the incident.

Please sign and return to : Mrs. Clegg

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Class Period \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent Signature

Parent Name (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_