



# World Studies



Welcome to World Studies at Warner Robins Middle School! We anticipate a busy, productive and fulfilling year. Our primary objective is to ensure the success of all students at WRMS so that they may excel in the present and future. To obtain this goal, we must provide a structured atmosphere, requiring responsibility and self-control. This atmosphere will provide a safe environment conducive to learning for all students. We look forward to working with you to ensure your child's success in World Studies.

## Course Description:

Students will trace the geography, government, economics, and history of Asia and Africa. The geography domain includes both physical and human geography. The government/civics domain focuses on selected types of government found in various areas in order to help students understand the variety of governments in the world. The economics domain focuses on shifts from the U.S. to how other countries answer the basic questions of economics. The history domain focuses primarily on significant events in each region from the 20th and 21st centuries.

## Curriculum:

The curriculum is aligned with the Social Studies the **Georgia Standards of Excellence**. A list of these standards can be explored at The Georgia Department of Education website: <http://www.gadoe.org/>.

## Textbook:

Our textbook for Georgia Studies is **My World Interactive: World Geography**. We will use a classroom set for assignments.

## Supply List:

one 1 1/2 three-ring binder	glue sticks or tape	*notecards 3 X 5 (filecards)
notebook paper	pens (blue or black ink)	pencil sharpener (individual size) *
spiral notebook	red pen	pencils and/or pens (blue/black)
colored pencils or crayons	pencil bag *	paper hole reinforcements *

## Optional \*

**\*\*\*\*\* You will only need one binder for Language Arts and Social Studies. Language Arts and Social Studies will share the same binder. Please do not get a binder for Social Studies and one for Language Arts. You will be carrying around your book bag throughout the day and this will help eliminate how much you will have to carry around.\*\*\*\*\***

## Assessments & Grading:

Major Assessments (example: Unit Tests, Projects, Labs)	40%
Minor Assessments (example: Quizzes, Mini-Projects)	30%
Daily Assessments (example: Homework Checks, Project Progress Checks)	20%
Final Exams	10%

If a student is absent on the day of a quiz, the student will be expected to take the quiz on the following day. If it is an extended absence, allowances will be made.

Students who have been absent will be given three school days to make up missed homework assignments. If it is an extended absence, allowances will be made.

## Discipline Plan

It is our intention to keep you informed of your child's behavior so that we can work together to ensure a safe and respectful educational environment. Students will be warned and given an opportunity to correct their behavior before consequences are enforced. If the behavior is not corrected, you will be notified so that, by working together, we can eliminate any behavioral concerns.

Our discipline plan encourages **RESPECT**: Respect for self, other learners, school staff, and school property.

## Warrior Way Classroom Expectations

### **Respect Yourself**

Keep your notebook organized  
Bring all materials to class  
Complete homework on time  
Prepare for class - STUDY!

### **Respect Others**

Arrive to class on time  
Be respectful and polite  
Listen to directions carefully  
Refrain from talking during lessons

### **Respect Your Environment**

Clean up after yourself  
Use class supplies sparingly  
Throw away break trash

## Infinite Campus Parent Portal

Our school system offers our parents a great online tool to help monitor their children's school progress, *Infinite Campus*. This parent portal allows you to view your child's grades, attendance, schedule and messages from teachers and our school. If you have not signed up for *Infinite Campus*, and would like to sign up for this helpful program, please contact the front office and they will guide you through the steps needed to complete the process.

## Homework

All homework assignments must:

- \*be completed with accuracy and should be legible
- \*be completed on time
- \*be readily available at the start of class (in the Georgia Studies notebook)
- \*be done in pencil or blue/black pen

## Contact Information

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You can access homework through each teacher's calendar on the WRMS page. Also, you can go through the SSO portal to access Google Classroom and the online textbook.

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I have read the *SYLLABUS* for World Studies, and have discussed the items with my child. We understand the expectations of the 7th grade World Studies teachers. ***(Please sign and date, but do not detach. Thanks!)***

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred method of contact (circle one):    phone call                      e-mail                      agenda note

Home phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child have regular access to a computer/Internet at home? (circle one)                      YES                      NO

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_