# Individuals & Societies Year 1: 6th Grade COURSE SYLLABUS

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#### **Course Description**

This course is designed to give students the chance to inquire into a wide range of human activities from various perspectives, so they may better understand and respect the world around them based upon Five Building Blocks of a Civilization (Government, Written Communication, Organized Worship, Artistic Expression and Social Structure).

#### IB Middle Years Programme Objectives & Strands: I&S (Year 1: 6th Grade)

#### A: Knowing and Understanding

At the end of year 1, students should be able to:

- i. use vocabulary in context
- ii. demonstrate knowledge and understanding of subject-specific content and concepts, using descriptions, explanations and examples.

#### **B: Investigating**

At the end of year 1, students should be able to:

- i. explain the choice of a research question
- ii. follow an action plan to explore a research question
- iii. collect and record relevant information consistent with the research question
- iv. reflect on the process and results of the investigation.

#### C: Communicating

At the end of year 1, students should be able to:

- i. communicate information and ideas with clarity
- ii. organize information and ideas effectively for the task
- iii. list sources of information in a way that follows the task instructions.

#### D: Thinking critically

At the end of year 1, students should be able to:

- i. identify the main points of ideas, events, visual representation or arguments
- ii. use information to justify an opinion
- iii. identify and analyse a range of sources/data in terms of origin and purpose
- iv. identify different views and their implications.

### Categories & Weights (explain that you use Total Points if that's what you are using)

Assessments	50%
Classwork	50 %

### **Grading Scale**

100% -90%	Α
89% - 80%	В
79% - 70%	С
69%-60%	D
59% and below	F

### Family Access/Student Access:

- Grades are updated in Skyward every Friday. Parents should check online grades regularly through Family Access. If you do not have your login credentials for Family Access please contact our Technology Department at 708-367-2930.
- Students will be trained to review their own grades and academic progress through Student Access.

### **Class Supplies Needed:**

- Chromebook--Charged **@** home daily.
- Two Pocket Folder
- One Subject Notebook
- Pencils

## **Late/Absence Work Policy:**

## (Late Work Policy)

An assignment is considered 'late' when it is not completed within the teacher determined deadline. Students have 24 hours within which an unfinished classroom assignment can be turned in. The penalty for late work submission is point reduction resulting in a grade of no higher than 70%. Late assignments not submitted within a 24 hour period, will not be accepted and shall receive a grade of no less than 50%.

## (Absence Work Policy)

The I & S Absent Work Policy follows that established by the District. All assignments are made available in Google Classroom.

All students are expected to adhere to the CMMS Academic Honesty Policy. Our Academic Honesty policy was sent home during the first week of school.

If you have questions about content and or grades, please contact your child's teacher.