



**Mr. Atkins Syllabus**  
**8th Grade**  
**ICT Teacher for Social Studies**



Dear Parent/Guardian,

We have the pleasure of having your child in our 8th Grade Social Studies class this school year. Next year, your child will be moving up to the High School level and our goal is to provide the knowledge and the skills needed to succeed.

In order to provide assistance and support for our students this is going to be a co-taught classroom. *Co-teaching is when two certified teachers are present in the classroom and they work together through the teaching process: planning, teaching, and assessing progress.* This will allow more opportunities for students to develop and explore their own learning style.

Feel free to contact me if you have had any questions or concerns.

**Contact Information**

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- ❑ Google Meet: ([Check google classroom](#))

**What you can expect from me**

- I will always come to class prepared to teach
- I will always treat you with respect and talk to you like an adult
- I will always help you with assignments when appropriate (not during exams)
- I will provide real world examples of how the material connects with everyday life
- I will give you the best that I can give as a teacher
- I will give constructive feedback on your work
- I will provide positive feedback when appropriate
- I will provide opportunities for you to improve your grade

**What we expect from you...**

- Arrive to class-on time with appropriate materials
- Show respect to ALL faculty and students
  - Respect= treat others the way you want to be treated
- Give us the best effort that YOU can give (don't compare yourself with others)
- Keep up-to-date with assignments
- Ask for assistance when needed
- Work collaboratively with others when appropriate

### **Skills you will learn**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Time Management</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Testing Strategies</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Basic Technology (keys, controls, apps, etc.)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 5 W's (<i>Who, What, When, Where, Why</i>)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Connecting Content to Real World Situations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Collaborative learning</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Reading and Writing Strategies</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Functional Academic Skills</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Community Based Learning</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Social/ Communication Skills</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Self Reflection</li></ul>
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### **Grading Policy**

Please check the syllabus or websites of Ms. Budd, Mr. Tornatore or Mr. Caruso to get the specifics of the grading policy. We will also post this information on the Google Classroom and you will receive a physical copy of the policy during the first week of class.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Atkins  
8th Grade ICT Teacher (Science and Social Studies)