**Veterans Memorial Middle School**

**To: Parents and Students**

**From: Michelle Peters. Social Studies Teacher**

**Re: Social Studies Information, 2017-2018 School Year**

Welcome to Veterans Memorial Middle School. My name is Michelle Peters, and I will be your child’s social studies teacher. As you take time to read and discuss the contents of this letter with your child, keep in mind that understanding how I will assess learning will be a key factor in enabling us to work together. Let’s strive all year to keep lines of communication open and help students work to the best of their ability.

**Grading Scale:**

**100-90 A**

**89-80 B**

**79-70 C**

**69-0 F**

**Warm-ups**

Students will be given a daily assignment to complete as they walk in the door. The warm-ups are used to review or to open up a new activity. This procedure will guide student’s progress on a daily basis.

**World Studies**

In sixth grade students will learn all about Europe, Latin America, Canada and Australia! We will begin with geography then history, government and last economy. Notes and activities we do in class can be found in Canvas <https://mcsd.instructure.com/calendar#view_name=month&view>, I post assignments on the calendar. A useful site to find the sixth grade standards is

<https://www.georgiastandards.org/Georgia-Standards/Pages/Social-Studies-Grade-6.aspx>.

**Daily Assignments**

Students have an assignment to complete every day. If they do not finish it in class it needs to be completed for homework. It is the student’s responsibility to take the assignment home and turn it in the next day. Students who are absent have three days to find out what they missed and we will arrange the due date. All late assignments will receive 60% it is very important assignments are done one time.

**Materials**

I require student to have paper and pencils every day, if students need other material such as markers or books, I will let them know ahead of time. In class I will use many different resources to teach the standards and I will make sure students have access to those resources.

**Homework**

I do not assign a lot of homework, but when I do it is very important it is completed. When students have homework assigned it is their responsibility to write down the assignment. I post major assignments on Canvas.

**Infinite Campus**

Students will receive progress reports and report cards each nine weeks as detailed in the students handbook. You can check Infinite Campus anytime which is updated weekly. Check with the office to get the activation number. There is also an app for infinite Campus you can use on your smart phone. It is very important to check grades weekly and it helps students stay focused on their grades.

**Communication**

If you would like to contact me my email is Peters.Michelle.M@muscogee.k12.ga.us. You may also log onto the school website for useful information http://sites.muscogee.k12.ga.us/vmms/.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter, I am looking forward to a wonderful year!

Michelle Peters

**Students Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**