



**Welcome to Middle School Social Science
Room 122, Quarter 1**

Dear Parents

Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year. We are excited to welcome your child and support them on their educational journey. We remain steadfast in our continued commitment to academic excellence, innovative practices, school safety, and inclusive excellence. We are committed to partnering with you to ensure safe, healthy spaces that affirm the identity of each and every student and leveraging the assets they bring. Working together as a team always creates a positive experience for your child. We are looking forward to an exciting year filled with many activities and projects. We are also thrilled to have the students back in school.

We are using the Social Science series myWorld Interactive this year. This program not only allows students to explore history but will also engage students through civic involvement and literacy. Students will learn about their world while covering the core social studies standards:

6th Grade: World History.....explores world history, global turning points and historical narratives.

7th Grade: World Geography.....helps them develop global competencies for active, informed citizenship. Units emphasize project-based learning to explore the world's places, systems and cultures.

8th Grade: American History.....emphasizes active inquiry and strong literacy connections, while learning about American History and citizenship. A civics component, including a Constitution Test, will be provided.

Absences: Work will not be given out in advance. When a student returns, they'll have 1 extra day for each day of absence to complete missing work.



Homeroom (6th grade) Student Special Schedule: M-Theater, T-Theater, W-Art Th-PE, F-PE

Assignment Weights: Assessments 60% and Assignments (projects, lesson checks and group activities) 40%

Breakfast: Breakfast is served before school starts at 7:30. Doors close at 7:45am. Class begins at 7:45am.

Thanks for all you do. Please feel free to contact me with questions, concerns, or feedback at: bhmccarthy@cps.edu.

Sincerely,

Ms. Bonnie McCarthy (6th-8th Grade Social Science Teacher)

Mrs. Linda Roche (6th Grade Inclusion/Co-teacher)