



*Welcome to Social Science
Room 122, Quarter 1*

Dear Parents

*Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year. I am excited to welcome your child and support them on their educational journey. I remain steadfast in my continued commitment to academic excellence, innovative practices, school safety, and inclusive excellence. I am 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. We do this in service of safe and welcoming spaces for all students to learn in. Working together as a team always creates a positive experience for your child. Our theme this year is **LEGO, Loving, Every, Growth, Opportunity**. Let's instill that mindset in our students together.*

This year I will be teaching 6th - 8th grade social science. I'm looking forward to an exciting year filled with many activities and projects. I am thrilled to have the students back in school, and back to the most normal year we've had in a few years!!

We are using the Social Science series myWorld Interactive this year. This program will not only allow the 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.
Mrs. Reilly will be joining our class each day, as the inclusion support teacher.*

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 during 2nd semester.

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

Homeroom (8th grade) Student Special Schedule: M-P.E, T-P.E, W-Theater, Th-Art, F-Art

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

Breakfast: Breakfast is served before school starts at 7:45. Class begins at 8am. (No sliding entry time.)

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

Sincerely,

Ms. Bonnie McCarthy