**7th Grade Social Studies**

**Ms. Hallman**

**MacArthur Middle School**

**2017-2018**

## COURSE DESCRIPTION:

During this course, we will be interacting with the series *History Alive!* Studying American History from the original colonies through the Civil War we will learn about the formation of our country with regard to geography, sociology, economy and political structure. Since everything in this series can be accessed online (including the book), you will not be assigned a textbook.

In addition, you are required by law to pass a United States Constitution Test!

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## REQUIRED MATERIALS:

Bring supplies to class everyday:

* School issued I-pad

On an as needed basis:

* Coloring supplies
* Notecards

### RULES & EXPECTATIONS:

* Productive- complete your homework; participate in activities
* Appropriate- be in your seat before the bell rings
* Respectful- be respectful of others
* Responsible- be prepared and organized, bring all class materials every day including homework!

**GRADING/HOMEWORK POLICY:**

* All assignments must be completed and turned in on the assigned date regardless of sectionals, field trips or out-of-class projects.
* If you are absent, you will have one extra day to make up the work. It is your responsibility to get the assignment.
* Late graded assignments are marked 50% off.
* Late graded projects are marked 10% off every day they are late.

**WEIGHTING IS AS FOLLOWS:**

**Homework 10% Classwork 30% Assessments 60%**

**UNITS OF STUDY:**

* Unit 1-Our Colonial Heritage
* Unit 2- Revolution in the Colonies
* Unit 3-Forming a New Nation
* Unit 4-Launching a New Republic
* Unit 5-An Expanding Nation
* Unit 6-Americans in the Mid-1800’s
* Unit 7-The Union Challenged

**ESSENTIAL SKILLS:**

* Map Skills
* Compare/Contrast
* Sequencing Events/Timelines
* Interpreting Visuals
* Cooperative group work

TEXTBOOK INFORMATION:

**Website:** http://learntci.com/student

* Textbooks online can be found on the MacArthur website under “Student Links” or “Parent Links”
* Students will receive login instructions the first week!
* The students will not be receiving a textbook to take home, however, the textbooks will be available during class.

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**Good luck and have fun**

**in Social Studies class this year!**