

Tokyo International Progressive School

Grade 8 Social Studies

Course Outline SY: 2019-2020

Course Description:

In Grade 8 Social Studies, students will explore the world of geography and learn about the history and culture of Asia and the Pacific region. Students are required to bring at least 2 pencils and 1 eraser to class every day. A textbook will be issued to each student. Please note that if the textbook is lost or damaged, it must be replaced by the student's family's expense.

Teacher:

Ms. Osaki (aosaki@tokyoips.com)

Grading:

Your grade will be determined by your work in these categories:

6P (Positive, Pleasant, Polite, Prepared, Punctual, Productive This will be a grade given based on the student's performance during class every day.)	10%
Quiz (A short assessment that consists 5-10 questions)	20%
Daily Work (Any in-class assignment or activity completed that day. Daily Work may be in the form of writing, hands-on/group activity or discussion)	25%
Project (Longer-task assignments that are designed to demonstrate learned concepts.)	25%
Test (Tests cover material learned in each chapter.)	20%

Your grade will be determined by this grading scale:

98-100%	Α+
93-97%	Α
90-92%	B+
85-89%	В
82-84%	C+
77-81%	С
74-76%	D+
70-73%	D
69% or below	F

PLAGIARISM POLICY

Students who hand in school work that is not their own are guilty of *plagiarism*. Students who plagiarize will be dealt these consequences:

First offense:

- phone call to parents and the work redone and the grade reported
- explain to parents consequence for second offense

Second offense:

- phone call to parents and the work redone and assessed, with the grade of "0" recorded
- explain to parents consequence for third offense

Third offense:

- phone call to parents and the work redone and assessed, and a grade of "0" recorded
- Saturday School assigned by school administration
- explain to parents the consequence for fourth offense

Fourth offense:

- phone call to parents and the work redone and assessed, and a grade of "0" recorded
- 2 day Out of School Suspension by school administration
- preamble with parents expulsion on fifth offense

Fifth offense:

Expulsion

Important Dates:

Date	Test Topic
September 19	Building Geographic Literacy
October 31	East Asia Physical Geography
November 11	South, Southwest and Central Asia Geography
December 13	Southeast Asia and the Pacific Geography
January 24	Interacting with Our Environment
February 21	East Asia Cultures and History
March 13	South, Southwest, and Central Asia Cultures and History
April 10	Southeast Asia and the Pacific Cultures and History
May 15	Focus on Countries

^{*}Schedule is subject to change

W-I-N Schedule:

A WIN (What-I-Need) session for Grade 8 Social Studies will be held once every week from 3:25 pm - 4:15 pm (day TBA). Students are welcome to use this time to ask additional questions, work on missing assignments, or do make-up/catch-up work for the course.