Eighth Grade Social Studies

North Carolina/U.S. History

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Course Description- Welcome to 8th Grade Social Studies. We will be studying North Carolina as a model state in United States history. Our focus will be mostly United States history with some emphasis on North Carolina history. There will be a few specific topics covered that will serve as a “sneak-peek” to 10th grade Civics and Economics. Topics for this year will include:

Quarter Common Core Objectives

1 Pre-Colonial North America, Early Settlements, Colonization, Causes of Revolution, American Revolution

2 Constitution, U.S. Government, Statehood and Expansion, The Civil War, Reconstruction

3 Economic and Technological Changes, Social Reform, Becoming a World Power, World War I. Roaring 20’s, Great Depression and the New Deal, WWII

4 The Cold War, Civil Rights, The Modern Age

Materials –Students should bring the necessary materials from their supply list to class every day.

Assignments:

Homework – Students will be assigned homework on a regular basis, it will be posted on the front board and is the students responsibility to write it down in their notebooks.

Quizzes – Students will take quizzes throughout each Unit of study, quizzes will focus on content and will be in the form of multiple choice, short answer, fill in the blank, or classroom activity

Test – Students will take tests at the end of each Unit. Units that are longer than others will be broken up into 2 tests

Journals / Bell-Ringers – Students will have either a journal or bell ringer activity to complete as soon as they walk into the room, these will be collected and graded on a weekly basis

Projects – Students will complete two projects during each quarter

Expectations – Students are expected to follow all Moore Square Middle School rules as well as established classroom rules and procedures. Eighth grade is a critical time when students are developing skills to will be used in High School. Students are responsible for their learning, please do not hesitate to ask questions, or seek out help. Be on time, Be prepared, and Be positive.