

Mr. Williams American History Class, GMS 8th Grade

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to teach, inspire, and support your child this school year. I desire for all students to succeed in my classroom, know they are valued, and to have confidence in their education and personal goals. Please know that I value communication with you, and I aspire to work with you and your child to best meet their needs. Please visit my web page periodically for updates and sign up for Remind. You can find my name under "Teacher Sites" from the GMS webpage. I use both resources to keep you informed. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

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- **Tutorials:** Tutorials are every morning between 7:45 a.m. to 8:10 p.m. Mondays, Wednesday, and Thursdays (Tuesdays and Fridays, Mr. Williams is a sponsor for the Brave Believers Group). Please arrive for tutorials on time. If a student does not get to the classroom before 8:00 a.m., the teacher on duty will not allow them to leave the cafeteria.
- **Absent Work:** If a student knows they will be out (field trip, family request, etc), they should ask for their work BEFORE being absent. I have a bin in the back of my room for children that are out for illness or other unforeseen circumstances.
- **Late Work:** It is important for students to establish responsibility skills. The 8th grade policy for late work will be sent home in this packet. Please read over it carefully. Work turned in one day late results in a 30% deduction, two days late is 50% deduction, and three days late results in a zero. Homework must be turned in at the beginning of class or it is considered late!
- **Textbooks:** We have textbooks and they will be kept in the classroom since they could be damaged/lost if taken outside of class. Work missed from the textbook could be made up during homeroom, tutorials, or sometimes online. Each student will have login information soon.