

**September 2019**

**Grade Six Social Studies: Mrs. Patricia Attanasio**

*I am looking forward to an exciting year with the Sixth Grade Students at Saint Francis de Sales Academy!*

**CURRICULUM**

*The focus of the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Standards will be centered upon **Engage NY** with the NYC Department of Education. This year, we will be exploring topics that encompass the world's Eastern Hemisphere.*

*The topics include the following:*

- \* Present Day Eastern Hemisphere Geography*
- \* The First Humans through the Neolithic Revolution in the Eastern Hemisphere*
- \* Early River Valley Civilizations in the Eastern Hemisphere*
- \* Comparative World Religions*
- \* Comparative Classical Civilizations*
- \* Mediterranean World: Feudal Western Europe, the Byzantine Empire, and the Islamic Caliphates*
- \* Interactions across the Eastern Hemisphere*

**HOMEWORK AND PROJECTS**

*Students will receive homework every day. For every missing homework assignment, they will be deducted 5 points out of a total of 100 points for their homework grade. If they miss three homework assignments, they will receive an infraction I will be contacting the parent/guardian. I recommend that you check your child's planner for notices and any other communication from Saint Francis Academy.*

*Students will create and complete projects when given in class and as assigned homework. They will be given a time frame to complete each project in advance so as they will have time to complete it.*

*The Sixth Graders will be writing essays in accordance with the NY ELA and Social Studies Standards. They will be examining primary and secondary documents. They will follow given graphic organizers and rubrics to help them with their writing skills and assessments.*

*All homework assignments must be written in their planners. In addition, these assignments will be on the Google Classroom site. Please check their planners and their Chrome Book every day.*

### *QUIZZES/ ASSESSMENTS/PORTFOLIOS*

*All quizzes and assessments must be signed by a parent or guardian. Each student will have a portfolio as an additional grade. They will place their work in the portfolio and an extra credit they may choose to complete.*

### *GRADING SCALE*

*Homework - 15 %*

*Classwork - 15%*

*Writing Assessments/Projects - 20%*

*Assessment - 50%*

### *TECHNOLOGY*

*As you know, your child received a Chrome Book for their grade. This device is to be charged every day and brought to school each morning. The students will be using this book every day and it is imperative that they keep it updated.*

*If you have any questions, I can be reached at [pattanasio@stfrancisschoolbh.net](mailto:pattanasio@stfrancisschoolbh.net).*

*I am looking forward to a wonderful and productive year with your child.*

*Respectfully yours in Christ,  
Patricia Attanasio*