

2022-2023 School Year Welcome Letter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am looking forward to being your child's teacher this year and to helping them build their knowledge and success in education. I hope to inspire and motivate them to learn the Social Studies curriculum. As an educator, my goal is to take a collaborative approach -working as a team with the school, parent(s)/guardian(s), and students.

Expectations/Rules

- Students are expected to be polite and respectful to their peers and teachers, as well as to others' belongings/ property. They should remember to treat others how they want to be treated.
- If a student misbehaves or has an issue, a phone call will be made to the parent/guardian or a note will be sent home.
- Students should have their homework and test dates written down at the end of every class.
 - Students should always come prepared to class.
- Cell phones are to remain off during all classes. If you need to get in touch with your child, call the school. If your child needs to get in touch with you, they can come to a teacher to let us know.
 - School policies and rules can be found in both student and parent handbooks.
 - Please check gradebookwizard daily for updates, announcements, reminders, messages, and grades.

Homework/Projects/Papers

- All homework, projects, or papers are to be handed in on time.
- Outlines will be given to students when assigned a paper or project. If the assignment does not follow the outline given, points will be taken off. ● Any plagiarism will result in a failing grade.
- If any homework, project, or papers are late, a point will be taken off for everyday it is late. If it is not handed in by the end of the week, students will receive a zero. ● If a student needs extra time for a project or paper, they should email me. They should not come to me the day an assignment is due asking for more time. I am very understanding and aware that things happen.

Current Events

- Current events will be assigned every Friday. They will be due on Monday. Students are to write a summary on their opinions and feelings toward a current event (global or national) of their choice.

- Current events will be counted as a homework grade.

Tests/Quizzes

- Students will be informed about a test approximately a week in advance.
Quizzes will be announced approximately three-four days in advance.

I am looking forward to a wonderful, successful school year ! Parent(s), guardian(s), and student(s)- if you have any questions at all or any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me by either email gheffern@stjohnslutheransi.org or by phone (718)-761-1858. I will get back to you at my earliest convenience. **Please remember to refer to the school website for any updates. (www.stjohnslutheransi.org/school)**

Sincerely,

Miss. Heffernan