7th Grade Social Studies Summer Work

A few things to make sure you do before starting school next year,

- 1. Know your school email address, and general login information for LaunchPad.
 - a. We use USATestPrep a lot in my class, so please know how to log on.
- 2. Organize your OneDrive.
 - a. Have a folder for each subject and clean up any unnamed or blank documents.
- 3. Set up a Remind.com account if you don't have one already. That is the main source of communication and essential to your success.
 - a. Parents, please sign up as well.
- 4. Make sure you know how to get into your Infinite Campus. All grades are housed there and if you want to know your grades, what you are missing, etc you will need to look there.
 - a. Parents, please make sure you set up your Infinite Campus accounts as well. I send grade and missing assignments emails frequently and it's helpful when you can receive them.
 - b. How do I set up a parent account?

Assignment #1:

For your summer work, you will be creating a 5-10 minute video that answers a few questions. Some are about you, and others are about Social Studies. I LOVE creativity, so be creative and show me the great student that I will get to teach next year.

- 1. Who are you? (tell me about yourself, and not just your name)
 - a. Hobbies
 - b. Fun Facts
 - c. etc.
- 2. Is this your first year at RCTCM?
 - a. If so, where did you go before here?
 - i. What makes you excited about coming to RCTCM?
 - b. If not, what are you excited about for this new year at RCTCM?
- 3. What do you like and/or dislike about Social Studies?
- 4. What is Geography?
 - a. How does where you live, affect your life?
- 5. What is the Economy?
 - a. When something negatively impacts the economy, how does that impact the people of the country?
- 6. What is the Government?
 - a. What type of government does the US have? Explain.
 - b. Explain how the branches of government in the US work together, yet apart.
- 7. What is History?
 - a. Why do you think we learn about the past?
- 8. Out of the following continents (Africa, Southwest Asia (the Middle East), and Southern (India) and Eastern (Japan, Korea, etc) Asia, which one are you most interested in learning about and why?

Once you are finished with the video, save it to your OneDrive through your school email account. If you do not know how to do that, save it to a flash drive, or Google Drive. If you are not sure how to do either of those, Google it.

Assignment #2: Geography (The location of you and others in the world)
For Assignment #2, write on the actual sheet. I think that will be easier for the both of us.

Geography Exercise

Answer the questions in the space provided.

Cities Around the World



What do we call the lines that run east to west on a map?	
What do we call the lines that run north to south?	•
What will you find at 30 degree S, and 135 degree E?	

The Hemispheres



The World



What is the purpose of the compass rose?

What is the purpose of	the equator?				
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How many continents are shown on this map? What are their names?

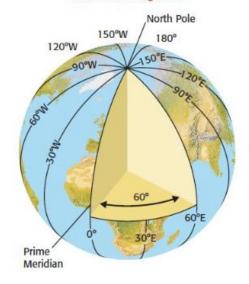
How many oceans are shown on this map? What are their names?

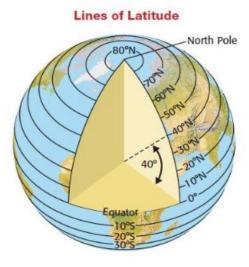
Your Spot in the World Use a globe to find the approximate latitude and longitude of where you live. Next find a major city that is located on about the same line of latitude. You can use a globe to identify approximate locations using latitude and longitude; however, you can use a GPS (global positioning system) to identify specific locations using latitude and longitude. Use a GPS, if one is available, to find the specific location of your school and your home.

School_	 	 	
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Home _____

Lines of Longitude







I hope that you are excited about next year and I cannot wait to see your videos, maps, and answers!.

Ms. Tyler