# Texas History 2016-2017

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### **Areas of Study:**

Geography of Texas • The First Texans • European Exploration and Settlement • Colonization and Settlement • The Texas Revolution • The Republic of Texas • The Lone Star State • Civil War and Reconstruction • The Close of the Frontier • The Twentieth Century • Texas Government and Politics

### **Supplies:**

Each day, students must have their iPad charged and bring their history folder. They will keep their spiral notebook in the classroom.

### **Grading:**

"Eanes ISD Middle School teachers are committed to grading and assessing in the best interest of our students. We believe grades and assessments communicate content knowledge, guide instruction, and reveal opportunities for enrichment and intervention."

## Tests & Major Projects: 60%

Students should check the 7th grade testing calendar regularly. They will be given test dates at least one week in advance.

# Skill Development: 40%

Skill development will include daily grades, learning checks, and any other class work or assignments.

## **Retest Policy:**

Seventh graders will be allowed to retest if they score 80% or lower on a major test grade. The student is required to fill out the retest contract and can score up to an 80% on their retest. Retesting is intended for the occasional difficulty with content mastery. When students retest on a regular basis, parents will be contacted and a study plan will be developed, if needed. Students in Pre-AP and GT classes will be allowed to retest once per 9-weeks.

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#### **Tutorial Times:**

Tutorials will be held during advisory or at other times by appointment.

### **Skyward Family Access:**

All parents in Eanes ISD receive access to student grades through Skyward Family Access. Parents are encouraged to register for Skyward by going to the district website Skyward Family Access. In an effort to help students learn self advocacy, we encourage parents to first allow their child to consult with their teachers if a question regarding grades arises. Teachers will enter all grades into Skyward within one week of the assignment due date except for major assignments, tests, and/or projects.

### **Communication:**

Please feel free to email us at any time with any questions or concerns. We will email you back within one day.

### **Embrey info:**

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Texas is a state of mind. —Coach Kee