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| **8th Grade**  |
| **Crabapple Middle School 2017-2018** |
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| **Course Description:** |
|  Students trace the history of Georgia in the context of the development of the United States. A chronological focus includes a geographic overview and early inhabitants, the foundation of Georgia in the 18th century through the state’s development in the 20th century. Students also examine the characteristics of state government, public issues, citizen rights and responsibilities, and contemporary and historical comparisons of state and national political institutions. In addition, common core literacy standards will be integrated into the curriculum.  |
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| **Textbook Information:** |
| *Georgia and the American Experience*, Clairmont Press, 2005, $59.95 |
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| **Parent/Teacher Communication:** |
| Communication initiated by parents and teachers is essential to a child’s academic and behavioral success. Methods of communications include telephone calls, conferences, the use of the student agenda and email. Parents are strongly encouraged to review the agenda daily to monitor the student’s organization and study habits. If anything seems unclear, please feel free to contact the teacher at any time. |
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| **Grading Scheme:** |
|  | *Weight Names* | *Percentage of Grade* |  |
| **Summative Assessments** | **70%** |
| **Formative Assessments** | **30%** |
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| **Classroom Procedures and Expectations:** |
| In order to ensure a positive learning environment, all students are expected to follow the “Three B’s” (Be prepared, Be engaged, Be respectful) at all times. |
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| **Crabapple Middle School’s Recovery Policy:** |
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| **1st semester** | **2nd semester** |
| All students are allowed **1** opportunity to recover for full credit of 100. All other opportunities will be for a maximum score of 80.**Summative Assessment score below 70 – Recovery is mandatory.****Summative Assessment score 70 or above – Recovery is optional.** | All students may recover assessments only for a maximum score of 80. **Summative Assessment score below 70 – Recovery is mandatory.****Summative Assessment score 70 or above – Recovery is optional.** |

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