

Royal Oak Middle School

ESL News

The Royal Oak Middle School mission is to ensure excellence in learning for all in a supportive environment.



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A note from Mrs. Landis

Social Studies (6th and 7th)

This week, our 6th grade students, are looking at the five themes of Geography. These include:

1. **Location**—The theme of location describes where something is.
2. **Place**—Place describes the features that make a site unique. For example, Washington, D.C. is our nation's capital and has many great monuments.
3. **Regions**—Regions are areas that share common characteristics. The Mojave Desert is defined by its distinctive climate and plant life, for example.
4. **Movement**—This theme looks at how and why people and things move. Airports help people move around the world.
5. **Human-Environment Interaction**—People interact with their

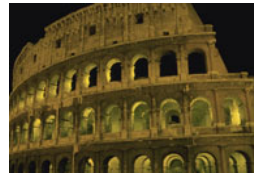


environments in many ways. Some use the land to grow crops.

These five important themes of geography are discussed both in 6th and 7th grade. In 6th grade students study the Western World,

which includes The Americas (Mexico, Central America/Caribbean, Caribbean South America, Atlantic/Pacific South America, the United States, Canada) as well as Europe and Russia.

In 7th grade students study the Eastern World. They look at Southwest and Central Asia (history of the Fertile Crescent—700-500BC) Judaism/Christianity/ Islam, and Africa (history of ancient Egypt, Kush, and West Africa). Students will also be learning about the history of ancient India and China. Finally, they also look at South and East Asia and the Pacific.



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- *Parent Teacher Conferences are on Wednesday, October 28, and Thursday October 29, 2009 from 4:00pm to 7:00pm.*

MEAP Assessment of Content Areas

• *6th Grade: Math, ELA, and Social Studies*

• *7th Grade: Math, ELA*

• *8th Grade: Math, ELA, and Science*

Highlights



ROMS lunch room offers many options of food. It is important to make wise choices in life and in the lunch room. Nutritional choices are important to a health mind and body.