La Salle Academy Curriculum & Policies

Jr. High Grade 6 Religion

Teacher: Mrs. Nicole Andres

Textbook

Our *We Believe* text is the source of all homework, classwork, quiz and test material. Without any interruptions, it takes 6 school days to complete each chapter. Days 1-4 are reading and discussion days that end in a homework or classwork assignment. Day 5 is the quiz day and day 6 is the test. About halfway through the year, I begin teaching students to outline their chapters, providing them a useful tool to help them study for the test and a necessary skill they can use throughout their future. This outline will take about 2 days to complete in school and will be done day 5 and 6 with the quiz and test following the days after.

Classwork Expectations

Behavior

I expect every student to be respectful to myself, their classmates, and any other professional who may enter our classroom. I will follow the rules and expectations as contained in the Diocesan Handbook and the La Salle Academy Behavior Code which was sent home the first day of school.

We walk with Jesus when we show kindness, respect, and empathy.

Homework

Homework is assigned to reinforce class discussions and completed class assignments. It may consist of written work, studying, or research on Google Classroom. Occasionally, homework will be a graded assignment. Failure to complete an assignment will result in a zero for that grade. The homework grade for each quarter consists of 20% of the final subject grade.

Classwork

Students are required to be prepared for class every day. They must have their books, notebooks, assignments, planners, and a pen/pencil to class every day. A Level 1 Demerit may be given to students who are continuously unprepared for class because it is a distraction.

Class participation is encouraged within my classroom. The more engaged the students are in class discussion, the more they will retain. I expect students to be paying attention, answering and asking questions, copying notes, and correcting homework and submitting work on Google Classroom. Any class assignment can be collected and graded to count towards their classwork grade. Classwork will count as 10% of the students' final grade.

Tests

At least one test will be given for every chapter that is covered in class. The tests will be on Google Classroom. Other assignments can be graded as a test; but students will receive a rubric that qualifies a project or a paper as a test grade. All tests will count as 40% of the students' final grade. If a test or assignment is missed due to absence, the student is required to complete it when he or she returns to school. It is the student's responsibility to inform me and to schedule a time when they can make up that test. Quizzes, both announced and unannounced, will be worth 30% of the final grade.

Expectations for Absent Students

If a student misses school, he or she is required to complete my missing work that was posted on Google Classroom. If the student does not have the correct books at home, the work can be turned in past the date it was due. No points will be taken off because it was late due to your absence. If the work is not made up within one week upon return to school, the student will receive a 0% for the missing assignments and possibly a demerit if there are 3 or more assignments missing.

I appreciate your support and cooperation. I am looking forward to working with each student! Let's have a great year!! If you have any questions feel free to email me at:

nandres@lsaelementary.org

Thank you,
Mrs. Nicole Andres

La Salle Academy Curriculum and Procedures

Grades 7 & 8 Religion

Teacher: Mr. John Stolan

All classes are aligned with the state of Pennsylvania Common Core Standards.

Behavior

Students are expected to demonstrate respect toward their classmates, their teacher, and any professional entering the classroom. I will uphold and follow the rules and expectations outlined in the Diocesan Handbook and the La Salle Academy Behavior Code.

Homework

Homework is assigned to reinforce classroom instruction and classwork. Assignments may include written work, studying, or tasks submitted through Google Classroom. Occasionally, homework will be graded. Failure to complete an assignment will result in a zero. Late submissions will incur a deduction, with points subtracted for each day past the due date. Homework accounts for **20**% of the final grade each quarter.

Classwork & Participation

Students are expected to come to class prepared each day with all required materials, including books, notebooks, folders, assignments, planners, and a pen or pencil. Repeated failure to bring materials may result in a Level 1 Demerit, as it can distract from the learning environment.

Active participation is strongly encouraged, as engagement in class discussions enhances retention of information. Students are expected to remain attentive, ask and answer questions, take notes, contribute to discussions, and make corrections when necessary. Class assignments may be submitted either through Google Classroom or as hard copies, depending on the task. All classwork is graded and contributes **10**% of the student's final grade.

Tests

Major tests will be administered at the end of each chapter and will be announced at least seven days in advance to allow students ample time to prepare. Unit tests will be given after every six chapters, providing a comprehensive review of multiple topics. Tests will account for 40% of the student's final grade.

Quizzes—both announced and unannounced—will be administered throughout the course and count toward the final grade. Quizzes will account for **30**% of the student's final grade.

Extra Credit

Extra credit will not be offered. Students are expected to stay current with their work and studies, ask questions when needed, and consistently put forth their best effort.

Absences and/or Make-Up Procedures

All missed work must be completed following an absence. Students are responsible for consulting each teacher to ensure they are aware of all assignments.

The time allowed to complete missed work without penalty equals the number of days absent. For example, a one-day absence allows one day to make up work. Upon returning, students are expected to take initiative in collecting and completing missing assignments. Students should also check Google Classroom for assignments that can be completed remotely to prevent falling behind.

Contact Information

Email is the preferred method of communication. For a timely response, please contact me **before 8:00 p.m.** Messages received after that time will be addressed the following day.

You can reach me via email at istolan@lsaelementary.org.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support throughout the school year. I look forward to working with you and your child. If you need to contact me at any time, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Mr. John Stolan