



# 6<sup>th</sup> Grade World Geography Welcome Letter



Dear 6<sup>th</sup> Graders and Parents,

Welcome to Besteiro Middle School 6<sup>th</sup> grade World Geography. It is a great honor to be your social studies teacher for this year. Our goal is to develop a relationship where your child can expand his learning. All of us are an integral building block for your child's learning process and success in the classroom.

#### Course Description:

Students in this course study people and places of the contemporary world. They examine the influence of individuals and groups on historical and contemporary events in addition to the history, geography, culture, government, and economic systems of selected societies. Throughout the year students will be using the textbook Holt Social Studies: WorldGeography.

#### Teaching goals:

- Students will develop awareness of the regions of the world
- Students will develop awareness of the 5 themes of Geography
- Study the physical features, resources, and cultures of Europe, Asia, and Africa
- Understand the six essential elements of geography: spatial terms, places and regions, physical systems, human systems, environment and society, and geographical uses.
- Interpret maps, understand scale, symbols, latitude, longitude, projections, and timelines
- Study the physical features, resources, and cultures of Europe, Asia, and Africa

I look forward to working with each and every one of you this academic school year. Let your creative imagination take you around the world to learn and appreciate other cultures and customs. If parents have any questions you can contact me at [lcsandoval@bisd.us](mailto:lcsandoval@bisd.us).

Thank you,

Mr. L Sandoval  
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