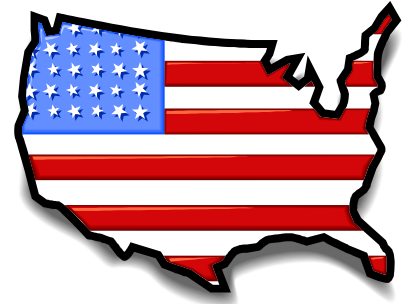


Dear R.K.A. Parents and Guardians:

Welcome to a new school year at Riverdale/Kingsbridge Academy!
My name is Mr. Welch and I will be your child's social studies teacher this year.



The 7th grade social studies curriculum covers the first half of United States history. We begin the year with pre-Columbian America and end with the Civil War.

To run an efficient class, I ask that you buy the following supplies by the weekend. These materials will help your child stay organized and complete his/her work for my class:

- 1 spiral notebook (classwork)
- 1 marble composition notebook (homework)
- 1 pocket folder (handouts and returned work)
- Blue/black pens, red pens, and pencils
- Highlighters

I maintain a website for my class at **www.mygradebook.com**. I will use this website to post announcements, assignment due dates, and other useful information about the class. You will also be able use this website to see your child's grades for my class. I will send home more information about this website next week along with an individual password that you will need to log in.

I would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete the attached parent survey. This survey will help me stay in contact with you and get to know your child better. I look forward to working with you for the rest of the school year. The best way to get in touch with me is with email at **cdwelch@gmail.com**. Otherwise, you can leave a message for me at the school's main office (718-796-8516).

Sincerely,

Mr. Welch

Parent Survey

Your Name: _____

Your Child's Name: _____

Your Relation (mother, father, aunt...): _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

You know your child best! Please tell me a little about him/her.

1. What are your child's strengths? Include as many as you can think of (academic, social, athletic, artistic...). Be specific and don't be bashful!

2. Is there any information that I should know about your child (special seating requirements, bathroom needs...)?

3. Are you the only person whom I should speak to at home? If there is someone else I can speak with, please let me know.

Please feel free to add any comments or questions that you have for me in the space below. Otherwise, you can email me at cdwelch@gmail.com.