7th Grade Computers Syllabus

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Course Description: This course is designed to provide an opportunity for students to develop technology skills in an ever-changing, technologically-diverse world. The main concepts will center on coding, problem solving, and digital citizenship.

Course Goals and Standards:
>   8.SI.2.1 Predict the effects that may result from society's increasing reliance on technology.
>   8.CT.1.1 Categorize the causes of routine hardware or software problems.
>   8.CT.2.1 Recommend applications that could be extended to other situations.
>   8.CT.2.2 Demonstrate the ability to utilize virtual learning environments in a classroom setting.
>   8.CT.2.3 Incorporate the use of keyed technology into any learning environment.
>   8.IL.1.1 Design a plan for conducting a search of electronic resources for a given task.
>   8.IL.2.1 Analyze predetermined online sources for accuracy, relevance, comprehensiveness, and bias.

Projects and Websites: Throughout the semester students will be using the programs code.org, the Google Suite, and Adobe, among other sites. We will also be discussing technology use in the modern era, internet safety, and problem solving.

Grading: Grades will follow the Baltic School District scale to the right and will be based on a combination of class work, homework, participation in class activities and discussions, and projects. Students will receive ½ credit on work that is turned in late. Students may work out extra credit opportunities and scheduling changes with the teacher as needed.

94.5-100	A
92.5-94.49	A-
90.5-92.49	B+
87.5-90.49	B
85.5-87.49	B-
83.5-85.49	C+
78.5-83.49	C
76.5-78.49	C-
74.5-76.49	D+
71.5-74.49	D
69.5-71.49	D-
0-69.49	F

Classroom Conduct: Students are expected to follow the guidelines as laid out in the student handbook, as well as the following classroom expectations. Failure to do so will result in a warning. Following violations will be handled as laid out by the in the Baltic School District behavior plan.

1. Be respectful
2. Be responsible
3. Be safe
4. Be the best you you can be

Absences: Students **must** be present as work is based on the previous day(s) work. If a student is absent or knows they will be absent, it is encouraged that they check the class website as I will have updated lesson plans. They are also free to email me with any questions or concerns about making up work.

Technology Statement: School computer use is a privilege, not a right. If students are caught using the computer for off-task purposes (email, inappropriate sites, etc.) they will be asked to shutdown the computer and participation points will be deducted for that day. Cell phones are not permitted in the classroom.

Student Signature: _____   **Date:** _____