



JAMES MADISON HIGH SCHOOL

LEADING THROUGH EXCELLENCE AND EFFICIENCY



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Mr. Casey D. Mumpire's Welcome and Introduction Letter to the 2021/2022 Parents and Students of Madison High School

Dear Parents and Students,

I want to welcome you all to another awesome school year at James Madison High School, which will be more normal than last year, as students will attend in-person. There will still be restrictions, but in-person instruction will move forward, which, ultimately, is better for all high school students. Principal Brown has ensured the community that safety will be the number one priority at Madison HS. Therefore, there is no need to be concerned.

Now, some information about me. I have been in Houston since 1975. I am a product of the HISD school system just like your child is. I graduated Sharpstown HS in 1986. Since then, I have attended UH Main Campus and was awarded a B.A. in History, B.S. in Anthropology, and a Masters of Education in Social Studies Education. I also have two degrees from HCCS, as well as being an ESL Instructor part-time. I have been teaching for 20 years in which 12 have been in HISD. This will be my seventh year at Madison HS, and my longest tenure at any school. I have been very happy at Madison HS and have no desire to go anywhere else! You may ask why, and I will tell you because God gave me this school as an opportunity to have a positive influence on young adults and to prepare them for life after high school. Yes, I do teach history, but I also teach about life in general. History is full of lessons that we can learn from. Everything in life is related to history; therefore, if we learn from history, then we are better prepared not to repeat our mistakes in life.

This year I will continue another year of teaching AP World and US History, as well as regular US History. This will be my 5th year teaching AP. My utmost desire, goal, and expectation for my AP students is that they pass their AP exams in order to receive their college credit. Also, for US History my goal is that all of my students pass the STAAR US History Exam in May!!!! Last year, my students



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had a 96% passing rate. The social studies team at Madison for US History is very effective at ensuring that our juniors succeed on the STAAR Exam. However, I also want my AP students to earn their college credit by passing the AP Exams. This will require a lot of work on the student's part in terms of learning content, reading, and lots of writing. AP students will learn how to support a thesis with evidence in a well-organized and written essay. The writing process will continue throughout the year with various strategies to help students analyze historical documents. The ultimate goal is to teach students to think critically and independently. All students will be required to bring their laptops to school every day, as most work will be online due to the current pandemic. Other required supplies will be outlined in my syllabus.

To end this welcome and introduction, a successful learning process will require collaboration between the teacher and the students. This is called TEAMWORK, and together as a team will succeed. Thank you for sending your student to Madison—A WONDERFUL PLACE TO LEARN AND SUCCEED!!!!!!!!!!!! IF MY STUDENTS ARE SUCCESSFUL, THEN I AM SUCCESSFUL!!!!!! STUDENTS ALWAYS COME FIRST AT MADISON HS!!!!!!

Very Sincerely and Respectfully,

Casey D. Mumpire, AP History and Regular US History





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