

## 8SS Newsletter – 11.27.18

Hello 8th Grade Families,

I hope you all enjoyed your Thanksgiving holiday!

This week, students will begin studying [Chapter 22, Overseas Expansion](#). International power came to the United States with political strength and industrial growth. As its power increased, the United States moved beyond its territorial limits in search of new markets and colonies. The United States began to compete with other nations for more trade and more land. From this rivalry, the United States rose to take a major role in shaping world affairs.

Student will begin with a discussion of key terms - isolationism, expansionism, imperialism, and spheres of influence. They will then analyze American overseas expansion in the Pacific Ocean and Latin America. This will include a discussion of the Spanish-American War. Students will discuss the positives and negatives of expanding into territory abroad and how this pulled us into World War I. We will begin discussing World War I before Christmas Break.

Have a great week!

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Mrs. Esquivel