

# Critical Thinking: STEM

Ms. Torres 2025-2026

### **About STEM**

- + This is a project based elective course.
- + We implement core class standards and apply those skills in our projects.
- + The Engineering Design Process and research skills will drive our instruction.

# **Grading Policy**

- + Formative Assessments: 30% of total grade
- + Summative Assessments: 70% of total grade
- + Schedule will be posted in Schoology. Please check the schedule if your student is absent, and I will catch them up in class!
- + Students can make up aspects of a summative assessment for a recovery grade up to 85%.

## **Assignments**

- + Once a due date has passed, the assignment will be marked as INC.
- + I will always accept late assignments.
- + I encourage students to message me through **Schoology** for any questions about missing assignments.

## Future Projects (and more!)

\*subject to change due to students' needs

#### **6th Grade**

- + STEM Fair
- + Solar Oven (with S'mores!)
- + Create Your Own Fidget
- + Mini Golf Course
- + Dolphin Tank

#### 7th Grade

- + STEM Fair
- + Solar Oven (with S'mores!)
- + Ada's Violin (create an instrument)
- + March Madness
- + Build a Boat Challenge

#### **Contact Information**

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