Strategic Games Exploratory Course Outline

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Learning different strategies has become an essential tool in the everyday life of students, teachers and parents. Learning a variety of strategies to utilize in real life situations is the goal of this course. Students will work with a variety of tools, applications and technology to develop and showcase these skills.

WHAT KIDS CAN LEARN FROM PLAYING STRATEGY GAMES

- To develop their critical thinking and concentration skills
- To detect patterns in game play
- To plan out their moves based on what they think their opponent might do (plan ahead)
- To consider and weigh many outcomes as they think about their best possible move (problem solving)
- To consider and adjust their approach when it doesn't work

Topics

- Ethics and safety
- Collaboration with other students
- Card games
- Board Games
- Paper & pencil games
- Outdoor games (weather and space permitting)
- Technological games

Class Routines

At the start of class

- go to your seat
- put other books & chromebooks out of the way
- Check the board for the daily activity

At the end of class

- Put away your supplies Give to Ms. Martinek or Mrs. Lee
- push your chair i, clean up any garbage, and wait to be dismissed

Expectations

- Follow instructions carefully
- Follow all classroom and school rules
- Be respectful

These are the areas we will be focusing on as a class.

Outcome # 1: I can design in response to challenges.

Outcome # 2: I can problem solve in response to challenges