

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Western Hemisphere Social Studies Standards at a Glance:

<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter:</b></p> <p><b>Geography is both physical and cultural</b></p> <p><b>The 5 Themes of Geography</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Analyze and Apply Location, Place, H-E Interaction, Movement, Region</li></ul> <p><b>Current Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Read and analyze 2 current event articles following a 5 themes outline as well as connecting our present to our past.</li></ul> <p><b>Physical Geography of the United States and Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Locate selected features of US/Canada using various types of maps</li><li>Analyze why people live where they do based on major landforms, water, climate, vegetation, and natural resources</li></ul> <p><b>The History of the United States and Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Understands how geography influences the growth and development of human societies</li></ul>	<p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter:</b></p> <p><b>Current Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Read and analyze 2 current event articles following a 5 themes outline as well as connecting our present to our past</li></ul> <p><b>The History of the United States and Canada, cont.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Understand how geography influences the growth and development of human societies.</li></ul> <p><b>The Culture of the United States and Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Analyze the causes of Immigration into North America and their assimilation into “American” culture.</li></ul> <p><b>Exploring the United States and Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Applies knowledge of the States, Provinces, Territories, and their Capitals.</li><li>Compare and Contrast various regional parts of US and Canada</li></ul>
<p><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter:</b></p> <p><b>Review of the 5 Themes of Geography</b></p> <p><b>Current Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Read and analyze 2 current event articles following a 5 themes outline as well as connecting our present to our past.</li></ul> <p><b>Physical Geography of Latin America</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Identify and Study The three major geographic regions of Latin America: Mexico and Central America, the Caribbean, and South America</li><li>Locate selected features of Latin America using various types of maps.</li><li>Analyze why people live where they do based on major landforms, water, climate, vegetation, and natural resources.</li></ul> <p><b>History of Latin America</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Emphasis on the study of the early civilizations of Middle America: Mayans, Aztecs, and Incas</li><li>Understand how geography influences the growth and development of human societies</li></ul>	<p><b>4<sup>th</sup> Quarter:</b></p> <p><b>Current Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Read and analyze 2 current event articles following a 5 themes outline as well as connecting our present to our past.</li></ul> <p><b>Cultures of Latin America</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Understand how the early civilizations have influenced present day cultures</li></ul> <p><b>Exploring Mexico and Central America, the Caribbean, and South America</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Knows Regional awareness at various spatial scales</li><li>Understands Regional identity</li><li>Knows Contributing factors to changing regional characteristics</li><li>Compare and contrast various regional parts of the Latin American Countries/Islands</li><li>Applies knowledge of the countries and islands of Latin America</li><li>Understands Geographic and political factors influencing the Panama Canal</li></ul>

## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Eastern Hemisphere Social Studies Standards at a Glance:

### 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter:

1. Identify the Five Themes of Geography
2. Describe how geographers organize the Earth into four hemispheres
3. Understand the Dionysius and Common Era Systems of numbering years
4. Understand patterns of change and continuity in the historical succession of related events
5. Define and explain the characteristics of a civilization
6. Understand the major characteristics of civilization and the development of civilizations in Mesopotamia, Egypt, and the Indus Valley
7. Describe how the natural environment of West Africa affected the growth of states, towns, and trade.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter:

1. Explain how the geography and government of ancient Greece influenced people and events
2. Identify the major city-states of Greece (ex: Athens, Sparta, Corinth, Argos)
3. Identify the impact and achievements of the Greeks in art, math, science, philosophy, and politics
4. Explain the importance of Rome's location on its development as a military, economic and cultural power in the Mediterranean region
5. Describe the status and role of women in Roman society
6. Compare and contrast the strengths and weaknesses of a Democracy vs. a Republic
7. Analyze the impact of Christianity on the Roman Empire
8. Describe and locate the influences of Roman government, law, religion, language, and architecture in Western civilization

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter:

1. Describe the events that occurred in Europe during the Dark Ages.
2. Explain the importance the Muslim Empire had on preserving ancient texts as well as developments in mathematics and the sciences.
3. Identify the impact and achievements of Asian Empires and Dynasties.
4. Analyze how Silk Road traders were able to diffuse various cultural beliefs from Asia and Europe along with the Middle East
5. Understand and explain the events leading to, as well as during, the Renaissance Period in Europe.
6. Describe the important people and events of the Protestant Reformation and what lasting affects it had on life in Europe and beyond.
7. Analyze and explain the Enlightenment and Scientific Revolution periods.
8. Name the features and participants in the slave trade
9. Analyze the scramble for Africa including its positive and negative consequences

### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter:

1. Explain the importance of the Industrial Revolution's innovations and the effect they had on rural versus urban life.
2. Compare and contrast the strengths and weaknesses of monarchical rule versus communism.
3. Identify the participants in World War I and understand why the war grew so large so quickly.
4. Analyze the time period between World Wars I and II in order to understand how they impacted the start of the Second World War.
5. Describe the major people and events involved in World War II.
6. Understand how the Cold War years have impacted our world today.

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade US History Standards at a Glance:

### 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter:

- Analyzes and evaluates primary sources and secondary sources from the Colonial Period and the American Revolution
- Analyzes history from multiple perspectives/views
- Analyzes the political, cultural, economic, and religious forces that motivated the English to establish colonies in North America
- Explains the role of Christianity in the development of the Thirteen Colonies.
- Analyzes the role and impact of slavery
- Analyzes how geography influenced the development of the Thirteen Colonies
- Analyzes how Native American societies changed as a result of expanding European settlement
- Analyzes how the French and Indian War shifted the balance of power in North America
- Analyzes the causes and effects of the American Revolution
- Determines how people, history, and geography influence current events and issues

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter:

- Analyzes and evaluates primary sources and secondary sources from the American Revolution.
- Analyzes how Native American societies changed as a result of expanding European settlement
- Analyzes the role and impact of slavery
- Analyzes the causes and effects of the American Revolution
- Analyzes the meaning and significance of the Declaration of Independence and how the document reflects some Christian values
- Compares and contrasts the strengths and weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation
- Analyzes how the U.S. Constitution reflects the ideals of the Founding Fathers
- Analyzes the major compromises made at the Constitutional Convention
- Analyzes the three branches of government in the Constitution
- Explains how the electoral college works
- Analyzes the significance of the Bill of Rights and its application to present-day situations
- Determines how people, history, and geography are related to specific current events and issues

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter:

- Analyzes and evaluates primary sources and secondary sources
- Analyzes the U.S. Constitution including the Bill of Rights and its application to present-day situations
- Analyzes the development and impact of the American party system
- Analyzes the cause and effects of the War of 1812
- Analyzes and explains how the Industrial Revolution, increasing immigration, the rapid expansion of slavery, and the westward movement (Louisiana Purchase, concept of Manifest Destiny, Louis and Clark expedition, etc.) changed peoples' lives and led to regional tensions
- Explains how individuals and the values those individuals held had an impact on history (e.g. missionaries, explorers, etc.).
- Determines how people, history, and geography influence current events and issues

### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter:

- Analyzes the social, political and cultural impact of the idea of Manifest Destiny (e.g. controversy over the Oregon Territory, Texas Independence, causes and effects of Mexican –American War, etc.)
- Examines how United States territorial expansion between 1801 and 1861 impacted Native Americans and other nations (e.g. how Andrew Jackson's presidency affected Native Americans including the Indian Removal Act, Trail of Tears, etc.)
- Analyzes different economic, cultural, and social characteristics of slavery after 1800 (e.g. the ending of the Atlantic slave trade, how slaves forged their own culture in the face of oppression, the role of the plantation system in shaping slaveholders and the enslaved, the experiences of escaped slaves)
- Examines the significance of the 19<sup>th</sup> century reform movements and their impact on American society
- Analyzes the economic, social, and cultural differences between the North and South from 1800-1865
- Analyzes the main causes and effects of the United States Civil War
- Examines the meaning and significance of the Emancipation Proclamation and the Gettysburg Address
- Analyzes the values held by specific people and groups who influenced history and the role their values played in their decision making (e.g. Andrew Jackson, Abraham Lincoln, etc.)

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade United States History & Geography Standards at a Glance:

### 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter:

*(A review of 8<sup>th</sup> grade US History Curriculum)*

*Unit One: Creating a Nation (Beginnings to 1877)*

- Explain how geography impacts the exploration, colonization, and development of the New World after Columbus.
- Examine the political, economic, social, and religious factors that led to the development of the English colonies of North America.
- Explain the causes and immediate consequences of the American Revolution and how the Founding Fathers use their Christian values to influence the establishment of a new governmental system.
- Describe the major events and consequences of the early years of the American Republic.
- Examine the major events of the antebellum period and the main political, economic, religious, and social causes of the US Civil War.
- Explain how Abraham Lincoln's moral leadership and vision preserve the Union and provide for a "rebirth of freedom."
- Examine the consequences of the US Civil War and Reconstruction Era.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter:

*Unit Two: The Birth of Modern America (1877-1901)*

*Unit Three: Imperialism and Progressivism (1890-1920)*

- Explain how the United States changes politically, economically, socially, and geographically during the last quarter of the 19<sup>th</sup> century.
- Examine the impact of immigration on the growth and development of the United States and the consequences for Native American cultures.
- Describe the results of US geographic expansion and industrialization and how do they initiate and influence progressive era political, social, and economic policies.
- Explain how the causes and results of the Spanish-American War lead to an imperialistic American foreign policy.
- Examine the major accomplishments of the Progressive era leaders.
- Explain the causes of American involvement in the Great War and how America's involvement influenced political, economic and social development after World War One.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter:

*Unit Four: Boom and Bust (1920-1941)*

*Unit Five: Global Struggles (1941-1960)*

- Explain how the US economy and culture change during the 1920s.
- Examine the causes of the Great Depression.
- Compare and contrast the political and economic solutions to the Great Depression presented by Presidents Hoover and Roosevelt.
- Examine the immediate and lasting impact of FDR's New Deal on American society.
- Identify the political, economic and social factors that lead to political dictatorships emerging after World War One.
- Explain how the US becomes involved in World War Two and influences the course and outcome of the conflict.
- Examine the consequences of World War Two and the new role of the US in global affairs.
- Describe the causes and main events that shaped the Cold War.
- Evaluate US foreign policy during World War Two and the Cold War using Christian values as the standard.

### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter:

*Unit Six: A Time of Upheaval (1954-1980)*

*Unit Seven: A Changing Society (1980-present)*

- Explain how Reverend Martin Luther King's Christian values impacted the modern Civil Rights Movement and its success.
- Examine the impact of President Johnson's Great Society programs on American society and culture.
- Describe America's involvement and consequences for involvement in the Viet Nam War.
- Examine the political and economic changes in the US that have changed our society and created a more secular culture.
- Compare and contrast the leadership, values, and policies of current American leaders to those in earlier eras in American history.
- Examine the causes and results of the Global War on Terrorism since September 11, 2001.
- Predict what life will be like for American Catholics living in America during the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

## 10<sup>th</sup> Grade World History and Geography Standards at a Glance:

### 1<sup>st</sup> Marking Period

*Unit One: Beginnings of Civilization*

*Unit Two: The Mediterranean World*

- Explain how geography impacts the development of early civilizations and how distinct cultures, religions, and societies develop.
- Explain why God created humans in His image and how human relationships with God and each other influence societies and civilizations.
- Examine the great achievements of classical Greece.
- Describe how Alexander the Great impacts the ancient world.
- Examine the factors that allow the Roman Republic to become the most powerful and influential civilization in the Mediterranean world.
- Describe the causes and consequences of the geographic expansion of the Roman Empire.
- Explain how the rise and spread of Christianity transforms the Roman World, Western Civilization, and all of humanity.
- Examine the causes and geopolitical consequences of the decline and fall of the Roman Empire.
- Explain how Rome's legacy shapes Western civilization and our Modern World.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter

*Unit Three: The Middle Ages, Unit Four: The Renaissance, Reformation and European Exploration*

*Unit Five: The French Revolution & Napoleon: Transition to Modern Times*

- Explain the political, economic, and social developments in Western Europe during the Middle Ages.
- Examine how the Catholic Church impacts life during the Middle Ages and leads to the Renaissance.
- Examine how feudalism dominates European society and how it is replaced by nation-states.
- Explain why Islamic expansion occurs so rapidly and how the cultural and religious consequences influence Western Civilization.
- Examine the significant social, economic, political, and cultural features of European society that led to World exploration and conquest and the consequences of the spread of Western Civilization.
- Explain how the Catholic Church responds to Protestant challenges to the Church's authority.
- Examine the main causes and consequences of the French Revolution.
- Describe how Napoleon Bonaparte influences the course of World history.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Marking Period

*Unit Six: Industrialization and Imperialism (Non-European Perspectives)*

*Unit Seven: The Great War and Aftermath*

- Explain how geography impacts the development of five non-European civilizations and how distinct cultures, religions, and societies develop.
- Explain how each civilization views their relationship with God and how human relationships with God and each other influence the development of distinct cultures and societies.
- Examine the impact of European culture, industrialization, and imperial motivations.
- Explain the causes, major events, and global consequences of the Great War (WWI).
- Examine and determine trends that identify the unique characteristics of Russian history.
- Examine the factors that result in the overthrow of the Russian monarchy and establishment of the Soviet Union and communism.

### 4<sup>th</sup> Marking Period

*Unit Eight: Prelude and World War Two*

*Unit Nine: The Modern World: 1945 to Present*

- Explain the political, economic, and social developments during the interwar period that created the conditions for another World War.
- Examine the major events, results, and consequences of World War Two.
- Examine how World War Two impacts the post-colonial ambitions of the developing world including Indian and Chinese civilizations.
- Explain the causes, major events, and consequences of the Cold War.
- Examine the significant social, religious, economic, political, and cultural features of major countries in the world today.
- Examine the impact of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 on the United States and the world.
- Explain how the Catholic Church influences the world today and represents timeless values and truth in an ever changing world.
- Determine what lessons we can apply from world history to make a better future for ourselves and the rest of the world.

## 11<sup>th</sup> Grade American Government Essential Standards at a Glance:

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Explain how political theory directed the development of governments in World History.</li><li>2. Compare and contrasts how power is allocated within different types and systems of governments.</li><li>3. Explain how Christian Anthropology effects the development of government.</li><li>4. Analyze the foundations of the American political system.</li><li>5. Analyze the founding documents within the creation of the United States.</li><li>6. Compare the unique qualities of a Constitutional Republic to a democracy.</li><li>7. Explain how the United States Constitution is structured.</li><li>8. Describe the varying roles of United States citizens in the governing process.</li></ol>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Analyze the Bill of Rights and the reality of Universal Human Rights.</li><li>2. Explain the concept of Federalism and how that applies to the U.S. Constitution.</li><li>3. Describe the Judicial Branch and distinct powers found in the U.S. Constitution.</li><li>4. Analyze precedent Supreme Court cases that are involved within Federalism.</li><li>5. Explain what the Legislative Branch is and distinct powers found in the U.S. Constitution.</li><li>6. Analyze how a bill becomes a law.</li><li>7. Describe the Executive Branch and distinct powers found in the U.S. Constitution.</li><li>8. Explain current Presidential policies in terms of Executive power.</li><li>9. Analyze the different political parties in the United States.</li><li>10. Evaluate political positions based on Catholic decision making and approved Catholic Moral Teachings.</li></ol>
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## 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Economics Essential Standards at a Glance:

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Explain how economics relates to the reality of scarcity.</li><li>2. Describe the types of market systems that exist in the world.</li><li>3. Explain what the concept of <i>Economic Freedom</i> entails.</li><li>4. Describe the central pillars of the Free Market.</li><li>5. Explain the specific economic teachings of the Catholic Church.</li><li>6. Evaluate the Economic Freedom of the United States compared with other nations.</li><li>7. Compare the basic types of market structures within economies.</li><li>8. Analyze how the concepts of supply/demand affect one another.</li></ol>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Describe reasons that the United States Government should/should not be involved in the economy.</li><li>2. Explain the Federal and State Income Tax system in the United States.</li><li>3. Describe what Fiscal and Monetary Policy is.</li><li>4. Explain what Expansionary and Contractionary policies are.</li><li>5. Explain the difference between debt and deficit spending.</li><li>6. Compare the concepts of economic inflation, stagflation, recession, and depression.</li><li>7. Explain the difference between investing and saving.</li><li>8. Compare the different types of investing.</li><li>9. Explain what a budget is.</li><li>10. Create a personal budget of what life would look like 10 years after graduating high school.</li></ol>
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