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THE GOALS OF SOCIAL STUDIES

Social Studies is the integrated study of the social sciences to prepare young people to become responsible citizens. Responsible citizens display social understanding and civic efficacy. Social understanding includes knowledge of the human condition, how it has changed over time, the variations that occur in different physical environments and cultural settings, and the emerging trends that appear likely to shape the future in an interdependent world. Civic efficacy is the readiness and willingness to assume responsibilities of citizenship—knowing how, when, and where to make informed and reasoned decisions for the public good in a pluralistic, democratic society.

In 2002, the Michigan State Board of Education adopted the Policy on Learning Expectations. These Expectations and the High School Content Expectations are intended to work together to prepare Michigan’s students to face new challenges in an ever-changing world, and provide them with the knowledge and skills needed for future success and to be productive citizens.

Students will be prepared to:

• Gather Information
• Understand Information
• Analyze Issues
• Draw and Justify Conclusions
• Organize and Communicate Information

The Goals of Social Studies:

• Think and Communicate Critically
• Learn and Consider Issues Collaboratively
• Learn Independently
• Create Knowledge
• Act Ethically

ACTIVE RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS

Our constitutional republic requires active citizens. Responsible citizenship requires students to participate actively while learning in the classroom. Instruction should provide activities that actively engage students so they simultaneously learn about civic participation while being involved in the civic life of their communities, our state, and our nation. The social studies curriculum prepares students to participate in political activities, to serve their communities, and to regulate themselves responsibly.

THE RESPONSIBLE CITIZEN

• Uses knowledge of the past to construct meaningful understanding of our diverse cultural heritage and inform his/her civic judgments (Historical Perspective)
• Uses knowledge of spatial patterns on earth to understand processes that shape both the natural environments and the diverse societies that inhabit them (Geographic Perspective)
• Uses knowledge of American government and politics to make decisions about governing his/her community (Civic Perspective)
• Uses knowledge of the production, distribution, and consumption of goods and services to make personal, career, and societal decisions about the use of scarce resources (Economic Perspective)
• Uses methods of social science investigation to answer questions about society (Inquiry)
• Knows how, when, and where to construct and express reasoned positions on public issues (Public Discourse and Decision Making)
• Acts constructively to further the public good (Citizen Involvement)
INTRODUCTION: PURPOSE OF THE STANDARDS REVISION AND REVIEW PROCESS

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) has conducted a review and update of Michigan’s Content Standards for K-12 Social Studies. The purpose of this review was to update the existing standards that were adopted in 2007 by the Michigan State Board of Education.

The charge given to the review teams was to use the College, Career, and Civic Life (C3) Framework for State Standards developed by the National Council for the Social Studies to update Michigan’s Social Studies K-12 Content Standards. The C3 was to be used as a lens to review, confirm, or revise Michigan Social Studies Content Standards so that they are fewer, clearer, and higher. In addition, the review teams were charged to incorporate issues of civil rights along with other modifications suggested based on close to a decade’s worth of experience using the 2007 Michigan Content Standards.

The C3 framework has been developed by the National Council for the Social Studies in conjunction with major disciplinary organizations and 28 states including Michigan. In the C3 Framework, the call for students to become more prepared for the challenges of career and college is united with a third critical element: preparation for civic life. Advocates of citizenship education encompass the political spectrum, but they are bound by a common belief that our democratic republic will not be sustained unless students are aware of their changing cultural and physical environments; know the past; read, write and think deeply; and act in ways that promote the common good. There will always be differing perspectives on these objectives. However, the goal of knowledgeable, thinking, and active citizens is universal.

The purpose of the C3 framework is to provide guidance for reviewing and updating state social studies standards. It is divided into two section: K-8 and High School.

The C3 framework is organized around an “Arc of Inquiry,” consisting of four dimensions. The four dimensions are:

- Dimension 1: Developing questions and planning inquiries
- Dimension 2: Applying disciplinary concepts and tools
- Dimension 3: Evaluating Sources and Using Evidence
- Dimension 4: Communicating conclusions and taking informed action

The C3 Framework reinforces the idea that the development of critical thinking skills is at the heart of the social studies. The C3 Framework was most helpful in suggesting how Michigan’s Process skills could be better integrated into the Michigan Social Studies Framework.

In Michigan, Dimension 2 of the C3 – “Applying disciplinary concepts and tools” – is integrated into the Grade Level Content Expectations (GLCEs) and the High School Content Expectations (HSCEs). The other three dimensions are represented in Michigan’s Process Standards, which are organized into four groups.

- Process Standards Group 1: Reading and Communication.
- Process Standards Group 2: Inquiry, Research, and Analysis
- Process Standards Group 3: Public Discourse and Decision Making
- Process Standards Group 4: Citizen Involvement

Michigan’s Process Standards correspond well with the C3 Arc of Inquiry and include a strong emphasis on continuing to develop reading, information processing, and communication skills consistent with English Language Arts and Mathematics Content Standards.

Process standards are developed at some level in all social studies classes. Grade level-appropriate sets of standards are included for all grades.

The task of aligning the curriculum is to integrate the Process Standards with the Content Standards, to meet the unique needs of students and make the best use of teachers while still helping every student learn basic content and skills.
CORE VALUES - INTRODUCTION

“We have it in our power to begin the world over again.” Thomas Paine introduced the great American experiment with anticipation of what might happen next. When framing their hopes for a new world, the founding generation kept one eye on the past and one on the future. As they advocated for and created new governance, the documents established mirrored the beliefs of those who formed them. The historical moments which sparked a revolution arose from multitudes of experiences resulting in numerous, often conflicting perspectives. Putting aspirations, goals, and law to paper, the Declaration of Independence, the Preamble to the Constitution, the Articles of the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and other Amendments to the Constitution respectively illustrate how, even in a contest of competing ideas and ideals, people may come together united in hope for a better society. In spite of, or perhaps because of, this tension these founding documents endure.

Most people and societies have professed adherence to universal values such as justice, truth and patriotism. Often, these are only words with no binding power. The founding generation of the United States took the bold step of moving beyond rhetoric and establishing a new nation founded on Core Values, expressing these values in documents, binding upon both the governed and the government. Each new generation must come to understand and interpret these values, acknowledging the historical strain and tension of oppositional or adversarial ideas found in the documents themselves. This tension is best seen as symbiotic and productive as it fosters deliberative, energetic decision-making - both then and now. Rich debate is the legacy of the founding and such tensions infuse our discourse and our aspirations today. Surfacing a list of Core Values compels consideration of such questions as:

- how might the tension between life and liberty balance against the desire for security in an open society?
- how might the will of the majority uphold or infringe upon rights of the unenfranchised, disenfranchised, or underrepresented?
- in what ways might the United States of America reflect characteristics of both direct democracy and that of a representative republic? What are best forms of representation?
- what civic skills are necessary for vibrant constitutional democracies and how might schools cultivate healthy civic virtue?

As educators, administrators, and invested community members, our best work will stand on the shoulders of the founders and promote ways in which divergent ideas have and continue to be the bedrock of the American polity. Our best work will provide a vocabulary for understanding modern issues by tracing their roots in history and experience. Our best work will promise opportunities to develop the civil, deliberative, and advocacy skills to engage in a democratic marketplace of ideas and policy. In light of much of the contentious discourse today, it is particularly important that we aspire to teach students the history, civic knowledge, civic skills, and civic dispositions necessary for continuous civic and civil reflection.

These Core Values will provide a lens through which students can investigate modern issues while grounding those controversies in their historical context. In the rendering below, many competing values are positioned side-by-side, inviting learners not only to be curious as to the tension but to inquire how and why the related paradox in the issue may be true. The pairings are not exclusive; other tensions between values exist and may be applicable when discussing various issues. Learners may then investigate their own position and thought within (and maybe even outside) those values. Confronting the multi-dimensional quality of these values is authentic and resonates with the complexities of life in and outside the classroom. This practice promotes vibrant and enthusiastic dialogue uniting civic life for a More Perfect Union.
### CORE VALUE SOURCE

D: Declaration of Independence  
P: Preamble to the United States Constitution  
C: The United States Constitution and its Amendments (reference to specific articles is included where helpful)

### CORE VALUES

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<tr>
<th>Rule of Law and Constitutionalism (D, P, C)</th>
<th>General Welfare (P, C Article 1)</th>
<th>Individual Rights (D, C)</th>
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<td>Both the governed and the government are bound by the written Constitution of the United States of America (the supreme law of the land), duly enacted laws, and judicial rulings.</td>
<td>The People established the Constitution in part to promote the General Welfare, acknowledging that unalienable rights are not absolute.</td>
<td>Individuals have unalienable rights (including life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness) not granted by government. Rather, government is instituted to protect those rights and government is limited to prevent violation of those rights.</td>
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<th>Equality (D, C)</th>
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<td>All individuals have equal unalienable rights, are equal before the law, and should possess equality of opportunity.</td>
<td>Representative government is limited in the exercise of authority because it adheres to principles of the Constitution including federalism, enumerated powers, checks and balances and separation of powers.</td>
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<td>The people are the source of governmental authority.</td>
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<th>A More Perfect Union (P, Article 5, Amendments)</th>
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<td>Those individuals entrusted with governmental power should act in the interests of preserving the Core Values and principles of the Constitution now and for posterity.</td>
<td>We the People are unified under law in continuous pursuit of the Core Values. The Core Values do not change; interpretation, expression, and implementation of the Core Values may change as demonstrated by amendments to the Constitution.</td>
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The purpose of social studies instruction is to develop social understanding and civic efficacy. The GLCE balance disciplinary content with processes and skills that contribute to responsible citizenship and form a foundation for high school social studies coursework.

The disciplinary knowledge found in this document can be used by students to construct meaning through understanding of powerful ideas drawn from the disciplines of history, geography, civics and government, and economics.

Effective social studies instruction and assessment incorporate methods of inquiry, involve public discourse and decision making, and provide opportunities for citizen involvement. These methods in the 2007 Standards fit well with the Four Dimensions of the C3 Framework.

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<th>C3 Framework</th>
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<td>conducting investigations on social studies questions</td>
<td>Dimension 1: Developing Questions &amp; Planning Inquiries</td>
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<td>analyzing public issues in various communities</td>
<td>Dimension 3: Evaluating Sources</td>
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<td>engaging in constructive conversation around social studies topics</td>
<td>Dimension 4: Communication Conclusions</td>
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<td>composing cohesive essays expressing a position on public issues</td>
<td>Dimension 4: Communication Conclusions</td>
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<td>participating constructively as community members</td>
<td>Dimension 4: Taking Informed Action</td>
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The K-12 Social Studies GLCE were developed to meet the following criteria:

**Rigor**
- challenging enough to equip students with necessary skill to succeed at the next grade level
- represent the essential core content of a discipline—its key concepts and how they relate to each other

**Clarity**
- more than just plain and jargon-free prose
- widely understood and accepted by teachers, parents, school boards, and others who have a stake in the quality of schooling
- provide guidance for university faculties who will prepare teachers to convey the expectations, and who later receive those teachers’ students

**Specificity**
- enough detail to guide districts in developing curricula and teachers in planning instruction
- address available time for instruction

**Focus**
- prioritize facts, concepts, and skills that should be emphasized at each grade level

**Progression**
- move from simple to complex, from concrete to abstract
- delineate a progression of knowledge and skills, rather than repetition from grade to grade

**Coherence**
- reflect a coherent structure of the discipline and/or reveal significant relationships among the strands, and how the study of one complements the study of another
- represent a “back-mapping” from the high school expectations to a progression of benchmarks that middle and elementary school students would need to reach in order to be “on track” for success in college and work
UNDERSTANDING SOCIAL STUDIES GLCE CODING

Each Social Studies GLCE is made up of four parts: the grade, the standard category, the standard, and the expectation. In grades K-4, what is described by the "standard category" is by discipline; in grade 5 through high school, "standard category" is described by topic. As a result, K-4 expectations are organized using the standards categories, and do not use the standard codes listed in the K-12 organizational chart.

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Grade Standard Category Standard Expectation

K-4 Expectations are organized by discipline and standard category, standard, and expectation. Kindergarten example K – G1.0.2 = Kindergarten, 1st Geography Standard Category, 2nd Expectation
4th Grade example 4 – C5.0.3 = Grade 4, 5th Civics Standard Category, 3rd Expectation
(The “0” is used as a place holder and indicates that K-4 expectations are organized using the standards categories, and do not use the standard codes listed in the K-12 organizational chart.)

5th and 8th grades focus on an integrated study of United States history. The expectations are organized by U.S. History and Geography (USHG) Era. The code indicates the era, the standard, and the expectation.

5th Grade example 5 – U3.2.1 = Grade 5, 3rd USHG Era, 2nd Standard, 1st Expectation

6th and 7th grades focus on an integrated study of the world. The expectations are organized by discipline and standard category (or World History and Geography [WHG] Era), standard, and expectation.

6th Grade example 6 – G4.4.1 = Grade 6, 4th Geography Standard Category, 4th Standard, 1st Expectation

7th Grade example 7 – W2.1.5 = Grade 7, 2nd WHG Era, 1st Standard, 5th Expectation

SEQUENCE OF STUDY

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USING THE K-8 SOCIAL STUDIES GLCE

USING THE K-8 SOCIAL STUDIES GLCE: THINGS TO REMEMBER

Several considerations are important as teachers use the GLCE to plan instruction.

- Integrate acquisition of content (in the GLCEs) with process and skill development. Development of basic skills in interpreting text, data, graphs and maps in elementary and middle schools is important for success in high school. Development of basic citizenship and discussion skills, while never tested on state exams, is none the less critical for success in and out of high school.

- Active social studies inquiry is essential. The Arc of Inquiry from College, Career, and Civic Life (C3) is a description of a process that helps students develop the kind of reasoned and informed decision-making skills needed for active participation in American society. Using the Arc of Inquiry begins with the development of compelling questions. Exemplars for the use of compelling questions will be included in the instructional material being developed to accompany the revised standards.

- GLCEs are content guides, not curriculum organizers. GLCEs do not specify lessons, units, or a curriculum sequence. World Geography can be taught regionally or thematically. History can be taught past to present, or present to past. One teacher may develop a community activity at the beginning of the year to help develop a sense of purpose, and another might wait until year’s end as part of a capstone project.

- On numerous occasions, the expectations will include examples to help clarify teachable content. These specific examples are suggestions. Educators may use other examples to meet the expectations or to guide instruction and the creation of local curriculum and resources. The examples are not required content but may appear in a prompt of an assessment question; however, the focus of a state summative assessment question will be the language and content of the expectation itself.
K-4 Grade-Specific Contexts

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<td>Kindergarten</td>
<td>Myself and Others</td>
<td>Using a familiar context for five- and six-year-olds, kindergartners learn about the social studies disciplines (history, geography, civics and government, and economics) through the lens of “Myself and Others.”</td>
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<td>First</td>
<td>Families and Schools</td>
<td>Students continue to explore the social studies disciplines of history, geography, civics and government, and economics through an integrated approach using the context of school and families. This is the students’ first introduction to social institutions.</td>
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<td>Second</td>
<td>The Local Community</td>
<td>Students continue the integrative approach to social studies through the context of the local community. Students are introduced to a social environment larger than their immediate surroundings.</td>
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<td>Third</td>
<td>Michigan Studies</td>
<td>Students explore the social studies disciplines of history, geography, civics and government, and economics through the context of Michigan studies.</td>
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<td>Fourth</td>
<td>United States Studies</td>
<td>Using the context of the state of Michigan post-statehood and the United States, fourth-grade students learn significant social studies concepts within an increasingly complex social environment. They examine fundamental concepts in geography, civics and government, and economics organized by topic, region, or issue.</td>
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K-4 Social Studies Overview Chart

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<td>Use historical thinking to understand the past in the local community.</td>
<td>Explain why people create governments.</td>
<td>Use fundamental principles and concepts of economics to understand economic activity in a market economy.</td>
<td>Clearly state a problem as a public policy issue, analyze various perspectives, and generate and evaluate possible alternative resolutions.</td>
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<td>National Economy</td>
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<td>Understand how regions are created from common physical and human characteristics.</td>
<td>Understand core values and constitutional principles of American constitutional republic.</td>
<td>Use fundamental principles and concepts of economics to understand economic activity in the United States.</td>
<td>Communicate a reasoned position on a public issue.</td>
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<td>Human Systems</td>
<td>Structure and Function of Government</td>
<td>International Economy</td>
<td>Citizen Involvement</td>
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<td>Understand how human activities help shape the Earth’s surface.</td>
<td>Describe the structure of government in the United States and how it functions to serve citizens.</td>
<td>Use fundamental principles and concepts of economics to understand economic activity in the global economy.</td>
<td>Act constructively to further the public good.</td>
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<td>Understand the effects of human-environment interactions.</td>
<td>Explain important rights and how, when, and where American citizens demonstrate their responsibilities by participating in government.</td>
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Identifying and Analyzing Public Issues
Clearly state a problem as a public policy issue, analyze various perspectives, and generate and evaluate possible alternative resolutions.

Persuasive Communication
Communicate a reasoned position on a public issue.

Citizen Involvement
Act constructively to further the public good.
SOCIAL STUDIES PROCESS AND SKILLS: GRADES K-4

P1 READING AND COMMUNICATION – READ AND COMMUNICATE EFFECTIVELY

P1.1 Use appropriate strategies to read and interpret basic social science tables, graphs, graphics, maps, and texts.

P1.2 Differentiate between primary and secondary documents.

P1.3 Express social science ideas or information in written, spoken, and graphic forms including tables, line graphs, bar graphs, and maps.

P1.4 Identify point of view and bias.

P2 INQUIRY, RESEARCH, AND ANALYSIS

P2.1 Use compelling and supporting questions to investigate social studies problems.

P2.2 Differentiate between compelling questions and supporting questions.

P2.3 Use supporting questions to help answer compelling social studies questions.

P2.4 Know how to find relevant evidence from a variety of sources.

P2.5 Use data presented in social science tables, graphs, graphics, maps, and texts to answer compelling and supporting questions.

P3 PUBLIC DISCOURSE AND DECISION MAKING

P3.1 State an issue as a question of public policy and discuss possible solutions from different perspectives.

P3.2 Apply core values or constitutional principles to support a position on an issue.

P3.3 Construct an argument and justify a decision supported with evidence.

P3.4 Explain the challenges people have faced and actions they have taken to address issues at different times and places.

P4 CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT

P4.1 Act out of the rule of law and hold others to the same standard.

P4.2 Assess options for individuals and groups to plan and conduct activities intended to advance views on matters of public policy.

P4.3 Explain different strategies students and others could take to address problems and predict possible results.

P4.4 Use democratic procedures to make decisions on civic issues in the school or classroom.
SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT EXPECTATIONS: KINDERGARTEN

HISTORY

H2  Living and Working Together
   Use historical thinking to understand the past.
   K - H2.0.1  Distinguish among the past, present, and future.
   K - H2.0.2  Create a timeline using events from their own lives.
   K - H2.0.3  Describe ways people learn about the past.

GEOGRAPHY

G1  The World in Spatial Terms
   Use geographic representations to acquire, process, and report
   information from a spatial perspective.
   K - G1.0.1  Recognize that maps and globes represent places.
   K - G1.0.2  Use directions or positional words to identify
               significant locations in the classroom.

G2  Places and Regions
   Understand how regions are created from common physical and
   human characteristics.
   K - G2.0.1  Identify and describe places in the immediate
               environment.

G5  Environment and Society
   Understand the effects of human-environment interactions.
   K - G5.0.1  Describe ways in which the environment provides for
               basic human needs and wants.

CIVICS AND GOVERNMENT

C1  Purposes of Government
   Explain why people create governments.
   K – C1.0.1  Identify and explain reasons for rules at home and in
               school.

C2  Core Values and Principles of American Democracy, a
    Constitutional Republic
   Understand the core values and constitutional principles of our
   unique form of democracy, called a constitutional republic.
   K - C2.0.1  Identify our country’s flag and describe its
               importance as a symbol of the United States.
   K – C2.0.2  Describe fair ways for groups to make decisions.

C5  Role of the Citizen in American Democracy, a
    Constitutional Republic
   Explain important rights and how, when, and where American
   citizens demonstrate their responsibilities by participating in
   constitutional republic.
   K - C5.0.1  Describe situations in which they demonstrated self-
               discipline and individual responsibility.
ECONOMICS

E1 Market Economy
Use fundamental principles and concepts of economics to understand economic activity in a market economy.
K - E1.0.1 Describe economic wants they have experienced.
K - E1.0.2 Distinguish between goods and services.
K - E1.0.3 Recognize situations in which people trade.

PUBLIC DISCOURSE, DECISION MAKING, AND CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT (P3, P4)

P3.1 Identifying and Analyzing Public Issues
Clearly state a problem as a public policy issue, analyze various perspectives, and generate and evaluate possible alternative resolutions.
K – P3.1.1 Identify classroom issues.
K – P3.1.2 Use simple graphs to explain information about a classroom issue.
K – P3.1.3 Compare their viewpoint about a classroom issue with the viewpoint of another person.

P3.3 Persuasive Communication About a Public Issue
Communicate a reasoned position on a public issue.
K – P3.3.1 Express a position on a classroom issue.

P4.2 Citizen Involvement
Act constructively to further the public good.
K – P4.2.1 Develop and implement an action plan to address or inform others about a classroom issue.
K – P4.2.2 Participate in projects to help or inform others.
SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT EXPECTATIONS: GRADE ONE

HISTORY

H2 Living and Working Together in Families and Schools
Use historical thinking to understand the past.
1 – H2.0.1 Demonstrate chronological thinking by distinguishing among past, present, and future using family or school events.
1 – H2.0.2 Investigate a family history for at least two generations, identifying various members and their connections in order to tell a narrative about family life.
1 – H2.0.3 Use historical sources to draw possible conclusions about family or school life in the past.
1 – H2.0.4 Compare life today with life in the past using the criteria of family, school, jobs, or communication.
1 – H2.0.5 Identify the events or people celebrated during United States national holidays and why we celebrate them.

Examples
1 – H2.0.3 e.g., photos, diaries, oral histories, videos
1 – H2.0.5 e.g., Independence Day, Constitution Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day; Presidents’ Day

GEOGRAPHY

G1 The World in Spatial Terms
Use geographic representations to acquire, process, and report information from a spatial perspective.
1 – G1.0.1 Construct simple maps of the classroom to demonstrate aerial perspective.
1 – G1.0.2 Describe places using absolute location or relative location.
1 – G1.0.3 Distinguish between landmasses (continents) and bodies of water (oceans) using maps and globes.

G2 Places and Regions
Understand how regions are created from common physical and human characteristics.
1 – G2.0.1 Distinguish between physical and human characteristics of places.
1 – G2.0.2 Describe the unifying characteristics and/or boundaries of different school regions.

G4 Human Systems
Understand how human activities help shape the Earth’s surface.
1 – G4.0.1 Use components of culture to describe diversity in family life.

G5 Environment and Society
Understand the effects of human-environment interactions.
1 – G5.0.1 Describe ways in which people are part of, modify, and adapt to their physical environment.
1 – G5.0.2 Describe ways in which the physical environment in a place or region affects people’s lives.

Examples
1 – G2.0.1 e.g., physical (clouds, trees, weather); human (buildings, playgrounds, sidewalks)
1 – G2.0.2 e.g., playground, reading corner, library, restroom
1 – G4.0.1 e.g., foods, language, religion, traditions
1 – G5.0.1 e.g., modify (cutting down trees, building roads); adapt (clothing, housing, transportation)
CIVICS AND GOVERNMENT

C1 Purposes of Government
Explain why people create governments.
1 – C1.0.1 Explain the need for, and purposes of, rules.
1 – C1.0.2 Give examples of the use of power with authority and power without authority in school.

C2 Core Values and Principles of American Democracy, a Constitutional Republic
Understand the core values and constitutional principles of our unique form of democracy, called a constitutional republic.
1 – C2.0.1 Explain fair ways to make decisions and resolve conflicts in the school community.
1 – C2.0.2 Identify and explain how important symbols of the United States of America represent core values.

C5 Role of the Citizen in American Democracy, a Constitutional Republic
Explain important rights and how, when, and where American citizens demonstrate their responsibilities by participating in constitutional republic.
1 – C5.0.1 Describe some responsibilities people have at home and at school.
1 – C5.0.2 Describe situations in which people act as good citizens and explain how those actions demonstrate core values.

ECONOMICS

E1 Market Economy
Use fundamental principles and concepts of economics to understand economic activity in a market economy.
1 – E1.0.1 Distinguish between producers and consumers of goods and services.
1 – E1.0.2 Describe ways in which families consume goods and services.
1 – E1.0.3 Using examples, explain why people cannot have everything they want (scarcity) and describe how people respond (choice).
1 – E1.0.4 Describe reasons why people voluntarily trade.
1 – E1.0.5 Describe ways in which people earn money.
1 – E1.0.6 Describe how money simplifies trade.
PUBLIC DISCOURSE, DECISION MAKING, AND CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT (P3, P4)

P3.1 Identifying and Analyzing Public Issues
Clearly state a problem as a public policy issue, analyze various perspectives, and generate and evaluate possible alternative resolutions.
1 – P3.1.1 Identify public issues in the school community.
1 – P3.1.2 Use graphic data to analyze information about a public issue in the school community.
1 – P3.1.3 Identify alternative resolutions to a public issue in the school community.

P3.3 Persuasive Communication About a Public Issue
Communicate a reasoned position on a public issue.
1 – P3.3.1 Express a position on a public policy issue in the school community and justify the position with a reasoned argument.

P4.2 Citizen Involvement
Act constructively to further the public good.
1 – P4.2.1 Develop and implement an action plan to address or inform others about a school issue.
1 – P4.2.2 Participate in projects to help or inform others.
**SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT EXPECTATIONS: GRADE TWO**

**HISTORY**

**H2  Living and Working Together in Communities**

Use historical thinking to understand the past.

2 – H2.0.1 Demonstrate chronological thinking by distinguishing among years and decades using a timeline of local community events.

2 – H2.0.2 Use different descriptions of the same event in a community and explain how and why they are different.

2 – H2.0.3 Explain how individuals and groups have made a significant historical change.

2 – H2.0.4 Describe changes in the local community over time.

2 – H2.0.5 Describe how community members responded to a problem in the past.

2 – H2.0.6 Construct a historical narrative about the history of the local community from a variety of sources.

**GEOGRAPHY**

**G1  The World in Spatial Terms**

Use geographic representations to acquire, process, and report information from a spatial perspective.

2 – G1.0.1 Construct maps of the local community that contain symbols, labels, and legends denoting human and natural characteristics of place.

2 – G1.0.2 Use maps to describe the spatial organization of the local community by applying concepts including relative location, and using distance, direction, and scale.

2 – G1.0.3 Use maps to describe the location of the local community within the state of Michigan in relation to other significant places in the state.

**G2  Places and Regions**

Understand how regions are created from common physical and human characteristics.

2 – G2.0.1 Compare the physical and human characteristics of the local community with those of another community.

2 – G2.0.2 Describe how the local community is part of a larger region.

**G4  Human Systems**

Understand how human activities help shape the Earth’s surface.

2 – G4.0.1 Describe land use in the community.

2 – G4.0.2 Describe the means people create for moving people, goods, and ideas within the local community.

2 – G4.0.3 Use components of culture to describe diversity in the local community.

**G5  Environment and Society**

Understand the effects of human-environment interactions.

2 – G5.0.1 Suggest ways people can responsibly interact with the environment in the local community.

2 – G5.0.2 Describe positive and negative consequences of changing the physical environment of the local community.

*Examples*

2 – H2.0.4 e.g., types of businesses, architecture and landscape, jobs, transportation, population

2 – H2.0.6 e.g., data gathered from local residents, artifacts, photographs

2 – G2.0.2 e.g., county, metropolitan area, state

2 – G4.0.1 e.g., where people live, where services are provided, where products are made

2 – G4.0.3 e.g., foods, language, religion, traditions
CIVICS AND GOVERNMENT

C1 Purposes of Government
Explain why people create governments.
2 – C1.0.1 Explain why people form governments.
2 – C1.0.2 Distinguish between government action and private action.

C2 Core Values and Principles of American Democracy, a Constitutional Republic
Understand the core values and constitutional principles of our unique form of democracy, called a constitutional republic.
2 – C2.0.1 Explain how local governments balance individual rights with the common good to solve local community problems.
2 – C2.0.2 Describe the purpose of the Pledge of Allegiance.

C3 Structure and Functions of Government
Describe the structure of government in the United States and how it functions to serve citizens.
2 – C3.0.1 Give examples of how local governments make, enforce and interpret laws in the local community.
2 – C3.0.2 Use examples to describe how local government affects the lives of its citizens.
2 – C3.0.3 Identify services commonly provided by local governments.

C5 Role of the Citizen in American Democracy, a Constitutional Republic
Explain important rights and how, when, and where American citizens demonstrate their responsibilities by participating in a constitutional republic.
2 – C5.0.1 Identify ways citizens participate in community decisions.
2 – C5.0.2 Distinguish between personal and civic responsibilities and explain why they are important in community life.
2 – C5.0.3 Design and participate in community improvement projects that help or inform others.

ECONOMICS

E1 Market Economy
Use fundamental principles and concepts of economics to understand economic activity in a market economy.
2 – E1.0.1 Identify the opportunity cost involved in a consumer decision.
2 – E1.0.2 Describe how businesses in the local community meet economic wants of consumers.
2 – E1.0.3 Describe the natural, human, and capital resources needed for production of a good or service in a community.
2 – E1.0.4 Use examples to show that people cannot produce everything they want (specialization) and depend on trade with others to meet their wants (interdependence).
2 – E1.0.5 Identify the benefits and costs of personal decision making.

2 – C3.0.3 e.g., police, fire departments, schools, libraries, parks
PUBLIC DISCOURSE, DECISION MAKING, AND CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT (P3, P4)

**P3.1 Identifying and Analyzing Public Issues**

Clearly state a problem as a public policy issue, analyze various perspectives, and generate and evaluate possible alternative resolutions.

2 – P3.1.1 Identify public issues in the local community that influence the daily lives of its citizens.

2 – P3.1.2 Use graphic data and other sources to analyze information about a public issue in the local community and evaluate alternative resolutions.

2 – P3.1.3 Give examples of how conflicts over core values lead people to differ on resolutions to a public policy issue in the local community.

**P3.3 Persuasive Communication About a Public Issue**

Communicate a reasoned position on a public issue.

2 – P3.3.1 Compose a statement expressing a position on a public policy issue in the local community and justify the position with a reasoned argument.

**P4.2 Citizen Involvement**

Act constructively to further the public good.

2 – P4.2.1 Develop and implement an action plan to address or inform others about a community issue.

2 – P4.2.2 Participate in projects to help or inform others.

2 - P3.1.3 e.g., equality, Rule of Law, limited Government, Social Compact Theory, popular sovereignty, and the right of the people to alter or abolish an oppressive government
SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT EXPECTATIONS: GRADE THREE

HISTORY

H3 History of Michigan (Through Statehood)
Use historical thinking to understand the past.
3 – H3.0.1 Identify questions historians ask in examining the past in Michigan.
3 – H3.0.2 Explain how historians use primary and secondary sources to answer questions about the past.
3 – H3.0.3 Describe the causal relationships among three events in Michigan’s past.
3 – H3.0.4 Draw upon traditional stories and/or teachings of indigenous peoples who lived in Michigan in order to make generalizations about their beliefs and histories.
3 – H3.0.5 Use informational text and visual data to compare how indigenous people and non-indigenous people in the early history of Michigan adapted to, used, and modified their environment.
3 – H3.0.6 Use a variety of sources to describe interactions that occurred between indigenous peoples and the first European explorers and settlers in Michigan.
3 – H3.0.7 Use a variety of primary and secondary sources to construct a historical narrative about daily life in the early settlements of Michigan (pre-statehood).
3 – H3.0.8 Use case studies or stories to describe how the ideas or actions of individuals affected the history of Michigan.
3 – H3.0.9 Describe how Michigan attained statehood.
3 – H3.0.10 Create a timeline to sequence and describe major eras and events in Michigan history.

GEOGRAPHY

G1 The World in Spatial Terms
Use geographic representations to acquire, process, and report information from a spatial perspective.
3 – G1.0.1 Use cardinal directions (north, south, east, west), scale, and key or legend to describe the relative location and characteristics of major places in the immediate environment.
3 – G1.0.2 Use thematic maps to identify and describe the physical and human characteristics of Michigan.
3 – G1.0.3 Use a world map to describe North America with respect to the equator and other continents and oceans, and Michigan within North America.

G2 Places and Regions
Understand how regions are created from common physical and human characteristics.
3 – G2.0.1 Use a variety of visual materials and data sources to describe ways in which Michigan can be divided into regions.
3 – G2.0.2 Describe different regions to which Michigan belongs.
G4 Human Systems
Understand how human activities help shape the Earth's surface.
3 – G4.0.1 Describe major kinds of economic activity in Michigan today, such as agriculture, forestry, manufacturing, services and tourism, and research and development, and explain the factors influencing the location of these economic activities.
3 – G4.0.2 Describe diverse groups that have come into a region of Michigan and reasons why they came (push/pull factors).
3 – G4.0.3 Describe some of the current movements of goods, people, jobs or information to, from, or within Michigan and explain reasons for the movements.
3 – G4.0.4 Use data and current information about the Anishinaabeg and other indigenous peoples living in Michigan today to describe the cultural aspects of modern indigenous peoples life; give an example of how another cultural group in Michigan today has preserved and built upon its cultural heritage.

G5 Environment and Society
Understand the effects of human-environment interactions.
3 – G5.0.1 Locate natural resources in Michigan and explain the consequences of their use.
3 – G5.0.2 Describe how people are a part of, adapt to, use, and modify the physical environment of Michigan.

CIVICS AND GOVERNMENT
C1 Purposes of Government
Explain why people create governments.
3 – C1.0.1 Give an example of how Michigan state government fulfills one of the purposes of government.

C2 Core Values and Principles of American Democracy, a Constitutional Republic
Understand the core values and constitutional principles of our unique form of democracy, called a constitutional republic.
3 – C2.0.1 Describe how Michigan state government reflects the principle of representative government.

C3 Structure and Functions of Government
Describe the structure of government in the United States and how it functions to serve citizens.
3 – C3.0.1 Distinguish between the roles of state and local government
3 – C3.0.2 Identify services provided by the state government and describe how they are funded.
3 – C3.0.3 Identify the three branches of state government in Michigan and the powers of each.
3 – C3.0.4 Explain how state courts function to resolve conflict.
3 – C3.0.5 Describe the purpose of the Michigan Constitution.

C5 Role of the Citizen in American Democracy, a Constitutional Republic
Explain important rights and how, when, and where American citizens demonstrate their responsibilities by participating in a constitutional republic.
3 – C5.0.1 Identify and explain the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.
**ECONOMICS**

**E1 Market Economy**
Use fundamental principles and concepts of economics to understand economic activity in a market economy.
3 – E1.0.1 Using a Michigan example, explain how scarcity, choice, and opportunity cost affect what is produced and consumed.
3 – E1.0.2 Identify incentives that influence economic decisions people make in Michigan.
3 – E1.0.3 Analyze how Michigan’s location and natural resources influenced its economic development.
3 – E1.0.4 Describe how entrepreneurs combine natural, human, and capital resources to produce goods and services in Michigan.
3 – E1.0.5 Explain the role of business development in Michigan’s economic future.

**E2 National Economy**
Use fundamental principles and concepts of economics to understand economic activity in the United States.
3 – E2.0.1 Using a Michigan example, explain how specialization leads to increased interdependence.

**E3 International Economy**
Use fundamental principles and concepts of economics to understand economic activity in the global economy.
3 – E3.0.1 Identify products produced in other countries and consumed by people in Michigan.

**PUBLIC DISCOURSE, DECISION MAKING, AND CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT (P3, P4)**

**P3.1 Identifying and Analyzing Issues**
Clearly state a problem as a public policy issue, analyze various perspectives, and generate and evaluate possible alternative resolutions.
3 – P3.1.1 Identify public issues in Michigan that influence the daily lives of its citizens.
3 – P3.1.2 Use graphic data and other sources to analyze information about a public issue in Michigan and evaluate alternative resolutions.
3 – P3.1.3 Give examples of how conflicts over core values lead people to differ on resolutions to a public policy issue in Michigan.

**P3.3 Persuasive Communication About a Public Issue**
Communicate a reasoned position on a public issue.
3 – P3.3.1 Compose a paragraph expressing a position on a public policy issue in Michigan and justify the position with a reasoned argument.

**P4.2 Citizen Involvement**
Act constructively to further the public good.
3 – P4.2.1 Develop and implement an action plan and know how, when, and where to address or inform others about a Michigan issue.
3 – P4.2.2 Participate in projects to help or inform others.
HISTORY

H3 History of Michigan (Beyond Statehood)

Use historical thinking to understand the past.

4 – H3.0.1 Use historical inquiry questions to investigate the development of Michigan's major economic activities from statehood to present.

4 – H3.0.2 Use primary and secondary sources to explain how migration and immigration affected and continue to affect the growth of Michigan.

4 – H3.0.3 Use case studies or stories to describe the ideas and actions of individuals involved in the Underground Railroad in Michigan and the United States.

4 – H3.0.4 Describe how the relationship between the location of natural resources and the location of industries (after 1837) affected and continues to affect the location and growth of Michigan cities.

4 – H3.0.5 Use visual data and informational text or primary accounts to compare a major Michigan economic activity today with that same or a related activity in the past.

4 – H3.0.6 Use a variety of primary and secondary sources to construct a historical narrative about the beginnings of the automobile industry and the labor movement in Michigan.

4 – H3.0.7 Describe past and current threats to Michigan's natural resources; describe how Michigan worked in the past and continues to work today to protect its natural resources.

GEOGRAPHY

G1 The World in Spatial Terms

Use geographic representations to acquire, process, and report information from a spatial perspective.

4 – G1.0.1 Identify questions geographers ask in examining the United States.

4 – G1.0.2 Identify and describe the characteristics and purposes of a variety of geographic tools and technologies.

4 – G1.0.3 Use geographic tools and technologies, stories, songs, and pictures to answer geographic questions about the United States.

4 – G1.0.4 Use maps to describe elevation, climate, and patterns of population density in the United States.

4 – G1.0.5 Use hemispheres, continents, oceans and major lines of latitude to describe the relative location of the United States on a world map.

G2 Places and Regions

Understand how regions are created from common physical and human characteristics.

4 – G2.0.1 Describe ways in which the United States can be divided into different regions.

4 – G2.0.2 Locate and describe human and physical characteristics of major United States regions and compare them to the Great Lakes Region.

Examples

4 - H3.0.1 e.g., agriculture, mining, manufacturing, lumbering, tourism, technology, and research

4 - G1.0.1 e.g., Where it is? What is it like there? How is it connected to other places?

4 - G1.0.2 e.g., purposes: measure distance, determine relative location, classify a region; geographic tools and technologies: globe, map, satellite image

4 - G2.0.1 e.g., political regions, land-use regions, landform regions, vegetation regions
G4 Human Systems
Understand how human activities help shape the Earth’s surface.
4 – G4.0.1 Use a case study or story about migration within or to the United States to identify push and pull factors (why they left, why they came) that influenced the migration.
4 – G4.0.2 Describe the impact of immigration to the United States on the cultural development of different places or regions of the United States.
4 – G4.0.3 Describe some of the movements of resources, goods, people, jobs and information to, from, or within the United States, and explain the reasons for the movements.

G5 Environment and Society
Understand the effects of human-environment interactions.
4 – G5.0.1 Assess the causes and positive and negative consequences of human activities in different parts of the country.

CIVICS AND GOVERNMENT

C1 Purposes of Government
Explain why people create governments.
4 – C1.0.1 Identify questions that political scientists ask,
4 – C1.0.2 Describe the purposes of government as identified in the Preamble of the United States Constitution.

C2 Core Values and Principles of American Democracy, a Constitutional Republic
Understand the core values and constitutional principles of our unique form of democracy, called a constitutional republic.
4 – C2.0.1 Explain how the core values and constitutional principles of popular sovereignty, rule of law, checks and balances, separation of powers, and individual rights serve to limit the powers of the federal government as reflected in the Constitution and Bill of Rights.
4 – C2.0.2 Describe how (1) rights guaranteed by the Constitution, including the Bill of Rights, and (2) Core Values, are involved in everyday situations.

C3 Structure and Functions of Government
Describe the structure of government in the United States and how it functions to serve citizens.
4 – C3.0.1 Give examples of ways the Constitution limits the powers of the federal government.
4 – C3.0.2 Give examples of ways the Constitution limits the powers of the federal government versus the state governments and individual rights.
4 – C3.0.3 Describe the organizational structure of the federal government in the United States (legislative, executive, and judicial branches).
4 – C3.0.4 Describe how the powers of the federal government are separated among the branches.
4 – C3.0.5 Give examples of how the system of checks and balances limits the power of the federal government.
4 – C3.0.6 Describe how the president, members of the Congress, and justices of the Supreme Court come to power.
4 – C3.0.7 Explain how the federal government uses taxing and
spending to serve the purposes of government.

**C5 Role of the Citizen in American Democracy, a Constitutional Republic**

Explain important rights and how, when, and where American citizens demonstrate their responsibilities by participating in a constitutional republic.

- 4 – C5.0.1 Explain responsibilities of citizenship.
- 4 – C5.0.2 Explain the rights of citizenship, why rights have limits, and the relationship between rights and responsibilities.
- 4 – C5.0.3 Describe ways citizens can work together to promote the core values and constitutional principles of American democracy, a constitutional republic.

**ECONOMICS**

**E1 Market Economy**

Use fundamental principles and concepts of economics to understand economic activity in a market economy.

- 4 – E1.0.1 Identify a good or service made in the United States and answer the three economic questions all economies must address.
- 4 – E1.0.2 Describe characteristics of a market economy.
- 4 – E1.0.3 Describe how positive and negative incentives influence behavior in a market economy.
- 4 – E1.0.4 Explain how price affects decisions about purchasing goods and services (substitute goods).
- 4 – E1.0.5 Explain how specialization and division of labor increase productivity.
- 4 – E1.0.6 Explain how competition among buyers results in higher prices and competition among sellers results in lower prices.
- 4 – E1.0.7 Describe the exchange of goods and services and the role of money.
- 4 – E1.0.8 List goods and services governments provide in a market economy and explain how these goods and services are funded.

**E2 National Economy**

Use fundamental principles and concepts of economics to understand economic activity in the United States.

- 4 – E2.0.1 Explain how changes in the United States economy impact levels of employment and unemployment.

**E3 International Economy**

Use fundamental principles and concepts of economics to understand economic activity in the global economy.

- 4 – E3.0.1 Identify the advantages and disadvantages of global competition.

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P3.3 Persuasive Communication About a Public Issue

Communicate a reasoned position on a public issue.

4 – P3.3.1 Compose a brief essay expressing a position on a public policy issue in the United States and justify the position with a reasoned argument.

P4.2 Citizen Involvement

Act constructively to further the public good.

4 – P4.2.1 Develop and implement an action plan and know how, when, and where to address or inform others about a state or national issue.

4 – P4.2.2 Participate in projects to help or inform others.

4 - P3.1.3 e.g., equality, core values, Rule of Law, limited Government, Social Compact Theory, popular sovereignty, and the right of the people to alter or abolish an oppressive government
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SOCIAL STUDIES PROCESS AND SKILLS: GRADES 5-8

P1 READING AND COMMUNICATION – READ AND COMMUNICATE EFFECTIVELY

P1.1 Use appropriate strategies to read and interpret basic social science tables, graphs, graphics, maps and texts.
P1.2 Interpret primary and secondary source documents for point of view, context, bias, and frame of reference or perspective.
P1.3 Express social science ideas clearly in written, spoken, and graphic forms, including tables, line graphs, bar graphs, pie charts, maps, and images.
P1.4 Present an argument supported with evidence.

P2 INQUIRY, RESEARCH, AND ANALYSIS

P2.1 Use compelling and supporting questions to investigate social scientific problems.
P2.2 Evaluate data presented in social science tables, graphs, graphics, maps, and texts.
P2.3 Know how to find, organize, and interpret information from a variety of sources.
P2.4 Use resources in multiple forms and from multiple perspectives to analyze issues.

P3 PUBLIC DISCOURSE AND DECISION MAKING

P3.1 Clearly state an issue as a question of public policy, gather and interpret information about that issue, and generate and evaluate possible alternative resolutions.
P3.2 Discuss public policy issues, clarifying position, considering opposing views, and applying core values or constitutional principles to develop and refine claims.
P3.3 Construct arguments expressing and justifying decisions on public policy issues supported with evidence.
P3.4 Explain the challenges people have faced and actions they have taken to address issues at different times and places.

P4 CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT

P4.1 Act out of the rule of law and hold others to the same standard.
P4.2 Assess options for individuals and groups to plan and conduct activities intended to advance views on matters of public policy.
P4.3 Plan, conduct, and evaluate the effectiveness of activities intended to advance views on matters of public policy.

INTEGRATED* UNITED STATES HISTORY ORGANIZED BY ERA - FIFTH GRADE

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(Introduced in 5th Grade; begins 8th Grade Expectations)

¹Note: U.S. historians, history books, history standards, and the peoples themselves have used, at one time or another, “Native American” and “American Indian,” while Canadian history uses “First Peoples” to refer to inhabitants of North America prior to European exploration, conquest, and settlement. While we are using “Indigenous Peoples” or “Tribes” throughout the content expectations, students should be familiar with the different names and specific tribal identities as they will likely encounter variations over the course of their studies.

*Geography, Civics and Government, and Economics are integrated into the historical context.
SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT EXPECTATIONS: GRADE FIVE

U1 USHG ERA 1 – BEGINNINGS TO 1620

U1.1 Indigenous People’s Life in the Americas
Describe the life of peoples living in North America before European exploration.
5 – U1.1.1 Use maps to locate peoples in the Eastern Woodland (the Woodland Peoples east of the Mississippi River), desert Southwest, the Pacific Northwest, and the nomadic nations of the Great Plains.
5 – U1.1.2 Compare how indigenous peoples in the Eastern Woodlands and another tribal region adapted to or modified the environment.
5 – U1.1.3 Describe Eastern Woodland life with respect to governmental and family structures, trade, and views on property ownership and land use.

U1.2 European Exploration
Identify the causes and consequences of European exploration and colonization.
5 – U1.2.1 Explain the technological and political developments that made sea exploration possible.
5 – U1.2.2 Use case studies of individual explorers and stories of life in Europe to compare the goals, obstacles, motivations, and consequences for European exploration and colonization of the Americas.

U1.3 African Life Before the 16th Century
Describe the lives of peoples living in western Africa prior to the 16th century.
5 – U1.3.1 Use maps to locate the major regions of Africa (northern Africa, western Africa, central Africa, eastern Africa, southern Africa).
5 – U1.3.2 Describe the life and cultural development of people living in western Africa before the 16th century with respect to economic (the ways people made a living) and family structures, and the growth of states, towns, and trade.

U1.4 Three World Interactions
Describe the environmental, political, and cultural consequences of the interactions among European, African, and indigenous peoples in the late 15th through the 17th century.
5 – U1.4.1 Describe the convergence of Europeans, indigenous peoples, and Africans in North America after 1492 from the perspective of these three groups.
5 – U1.4.2 Use primary and secondary sources to compare Europeans and indigenous peoples who converged in the Western Hemisphere after 1492 with respect to governmental structure, and views on property ownership and land use.
5 – U1.4.3 Explain the impact of European contact on the cultures of indigenous peoples by comparing the different approaches used by the British and French in their interactions with indigenous peoples.
5 – U1.4.4 Describe the Columbian Exchange and its impact on Europeans, indigenous peoples, and Africans.
**U2 USHG ERA 2 – COLONIZATION AND SETTLEMENT (1585-1763)**

**U2.1 European Struggle for Control of North America**

Compare the regional settlement patterns and describe significant developments in Southern, New England, and the Mid-Atlantic colonies.

5 – U2.1.1 Describe significant developments in the Southern colonies, including:

- patterns of settlement and control, including the impact of geography (landforms and climate) on settlement
- the establishment of Jamestown
- development of one-crop economies (plantation land use and growing season for rice in Carolinas and tobacco in Virginia)
- relationships with indigenous peoples, including the trading of goods, services, and ideas among European and indigenous peoples
- development of colonial representative assemblies (House of Burgesses)
- development of slavery

5 – U2.1.2 Describe significant developments in the New England colonies, including:

- patterns of settlement and control including the impact of geography (landforms and climate) on settlement
- relations with indigenous peoples, including the trading of goods, services, and ideas among European and indigenous peoples growth of agricultural (small farms) and non-agricultural (shipping, manufacturing) economies
- the development of government, including establishment of town meetings, development of colonial legislatures and growth of royal government
- religious tensions in Massachusetts that led to the establishment of other colonies in New England

5 – U2.1.3 Describe significant developments in the Middle colonies, including:

- patterns of settlement and control including the impact of geography (landforms and climate) on settlement
- relations with indigenous peoples, including the trading of goods, services, and ideas among European and indigenous peoples
- the growth of Middle colonies’ economies The Dutch settlement in New Netherlands, Quaker settlement in Pennsylvania, and subsequent English takeover of the Middle colonies
- immigration patterns leading to ethnic diversity in the Middle colonies

5 – U2.1.4 Compare the regional settlement patterns of the Southern colonies, New England, and the Middle colonies.

5 – U2.1.5 Explain the economic, political, cultural, and religious causes of migration to colonial North America.
U2.2 **European Slave Trade and Slavery in Colonial America**

Analyze the development of the slave system in the Americas and its impact upon the life of Africans.

- **5 – U2.2.1** Describe Triangular Trade including:
  - the trade routes
  - the people and goods that were traded
  - the Middle Passage
  - its impact on life in Africa

- **5 – U2.2.2** Describe the life of enslaved Africans and free Africans in the American colonies.

- **5 – U2.2.3** Describe how Africans living in North America drew upon their African past and adapted elements of new cultures to develop a distinct African American culture.

U2.3 **Life in Colonial America**

Distinguish among and explain the reasons for regional differences in colonial America.

- **5 – U2.3.1** Locate the New England, Middle, and Southern colonies on a map.

- **5 – U2.3.2** Describe the daily life of people living in the New England, Middle, and Southern colonies.

- **5 – U2.3.3** Describe colonial life in America from the perspectives of at least three different groups of people.

- **5 – U2.3.4** Describe the development of the emerging labor force in the colonies.

- **5 – U2.3.5** Make generalizations about the reasons for regional differences in colonial America.

U3 **USHG ERA 3 REVOLUTION AND THE NEW NATION (1754 - 1800)**

U3.1 **Causes of the American Revolution**

Identify the major political, economic, and ideological reasons for the American Revolution.

- **5 – U3.1.1** Describe how the French and Indian War affected British policy toward the colonies and colonial dissatisfaction with the new policy.

- **5 – U3.1.2** Describe the causes and effects of events such as the Stamp Act, Boston Tea Party, the Intolerable Acts, and the Boston Massacre.

- **5 – U3.1.3** Using an event from the Revolutionary era, explain how British and colonial views on authority and the use of power without authority differed (views on representative government).

- **5 – U3.1.4** Describe the role of the First and Second Continental Congresses in unifying the colonies.

- **5 – U3.1.5** Use the Declaration of Independence to explain why the colonists wanted to separate from Great Britain and why they believed they had the right to do so.

- **5 – U3.1.6** Identify the role that key individuals played in leading the colonists to revolution, including George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, Patrick Henry, Samuel Adams, John Adams, and Thomas Paine.

- **5 – U3.1.7** Describe how colonial experiences with self-government and ideas about government influenced the decision to declare independence.
5 – U3.1.8 Identify a problem confronting people in the colonies, identify alternative choices for addressing the problem with possible consequences, and describe the course of action taken.

U3.2 The American Revolution and Its Consequences

Explain the multi-faceted nature of the American Revolution and its consequences.

5 – U3.2.1 Describe the advantages and disadvantages each side had during the American Revolution with respect to military leadership, geography, types of resources, and motivations.

5 – U3.2.2 Describe the importance of Valley Forge, the Battle of Saratoga, and the Battle of Yorktown in the American Revolution.

5 – U3.2.3 Compare the role of women, African Americans, indigenous peoples, and France in helping shape the outcome of the war.

5 – U3.2.4 Describe the significance of the Treaty of Paris (establishment of the United States and its boundaries).

U3.3 Creating New Government(s) and a New Constitution

Explain some of the challenges faced by the new nation under the Articles of Confederation, and analyze the development of the Constitution as a new plan for governing.

5 – U3.3.1 Describe the powers of the national government and state governments under the Articles of Confederation.

5 – U3.3.2 Give examples of problems the country faced under the Articles of Confederation.

5 – U3.3.3 Explain why the Constitutional Convention was convened and why the Constitution was written.

5 – U3.3.4 Describe the issues over representation and slavery the Framers faced at the Constitutional Convention and how they were addressed in the Constitution.

5 – U3.3.5 Give reasons why the Framers wanted to limit the power of government.

5 – U3.3.6 Describe the principle of federalism and how it is expressed through the sharing and distribution of power as stated in the Constitution.

5 – U3.3.7 Describe the concern that some people had about individual rights and why the inclusion of a Bill of Rights was needed for ratification.

5 – U3.3.8 Describe the rights found in the First, Second, Third, and Fourth Amendments to the United States Constitution.

PUBLIC DISCOURSE, DECISION MAKING, AND CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT (P3, P4)

P3.1 Identifying and Analyzing Public Issues

Clearly state a problem as public policy issue, analyze various perspectives, and generate and evaluate possible alternative resolutions.

5 – P3.1.1 Identify contemporary public issues related to the United States Constitution and their related factual, definitional, and ethical questions.

5 – P3.1.2 Use graphic data and other sources to analyze information about a contemporary public issue related to the United States Constitution and evaluate alternative resolutions.
5 – P3.1.3 Give examples of how conflicts over core values lead people to differ on contemporary constitutional issues in the United States.

**P3.3 Persuasive Communication About a Public Issue**

Communicate a reasoned position on a public issue.

5 – P3.3.1 Compose a short essay expressing a position on a contemporary public policy issue related to the Constitution and justify the position with a reasoned argument.

**P4.2 Citizen Involvement**

Act constructively to further the public good.

5 – P4.2.1 Develop and implement an action plan and know how, when, and where to address or inform others about a public issue.

5 – P4.2.2 Participate in projects to help or inform others.

5 - P3.1.3 e.g., equality, core values, Rule of Law, limited Government, Social Compact Theory, popular sovereignty, and the right of the people to alter or abolish an oppressive government.
Sixth-grade students will explore the tools and mental constructs used by geographers as they study contemporary world geography. Contemporary civics/government and economics content is integrated throughout the year. As a capstone, the students will conduct an investigation of a global issue. Using knowledge, research, and inquiry, they will analyze an issue and propose a plan for the future, including a persuasive essay.

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PUBLIC DISCOURSE, DECISION MAKING, AND CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT
GEOGRAPHY

G1 THE WORLD IN SPATIAL TERMS: GEOGRAPHICAL HABITS OF MIND

Describe relationships between people, places, and environments by using information that is in a geographic (spatial) context. Engage in mapping and analyzing information to explain the patterns and relationships among people, their cultures, and the natural environment. Explain and use key conceptual devices (places and regions, spatial patterns, and processes) that geographers use to organize information.

G1.1 Spatial Thinking

Use maps and other geographic tools to acquire and process information from a spatial perspective.

6 – G1.1.1 Explain and use a variety of maps, globes, and web based geography technology to study the world at global, regional, and local scales.

6 – G1.1.2 Draw a sketch map, or add information to an outline map, of the world or a world region.

G1.2 Geographical Inquiry and Analysis

Use skills of geographic inquiry and analysis to answer important questions about relationships between people, their cultures, and their environment, in their community and within the larger world context.

Students use information to make reasoned judgments based on the authenticity of the information, their skill at critically analyzing the information, and presenting the results.

6 – G1.2.1 Apply the skills of geographic inquiry (asking geographic questions, acquiring geographic information, organizing geographic information, analyzing geographic information, and answering geographic questions) to analyze a geographic problem or issue.

6 – G1.2.2 Explain why maps of the same place may vary, including the perspectives and purposes of the cartographers.

6 – G1.2.3 Use, interpret, and create maps and graphs representing population characteristics, natural features, and land use of the region under study.

6 – G1.2.4 Use images as the basis for answering geographic questions about the human and physical characteristics of places and major world regions.

6 – G1.2.5 Locate and use information from Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and satellite remote sensing to answer geographic questions.

6 – G1.2.6 Create or interpret a map of the population distribution of a region and generalize about the factors influencing the distribution of the population.

G1.3 Geographical Understanding

The purpose of middle school geography curriculum is to develop content, themes, skills, and perspectives that can help students understand a diverse and interconnected world.

Examples

6 – G1.1.1 e.g., The focus is on interpreting the information.

6 – G1.1.2 e.g., locate on a world map: United States, North and South America, Africa, Europe, Asia; continents; oceans; latitude lines - Equator, Prime Meridian, tropics of Cancer and Capricorn; Arctic and Antarctic circles.

6 – G1.2.2 e.g., Different countries may label disputed territories differently, remote sensing images provide information not visible to humans.

6 – G1.2.4 e.g., Images include pictures, aerial photos, and remote sensing images.

6 - G1.2.5 e.g., Google Earth and ArcGIS on-line have multiple teacher applications. Clickable PDFs provide overlay strategies for students without technology skills.

6 – G1.2.6 e.g., Examples include how natural characteristics are associated with sparse population densities, how different combinations of natural and human factors lead to more dense human populations, and why major cities are located where they are.

6 – G1.3.1 e.g., "Place" deals with the natural and human characteristics of a place while "location" deals with where the place is, especially relative to other places. Human-environment interaction deals with resources, human adaptation, and human impact, as well as natural catastrophes. "Movement" includes migration of people, transportation of goods and services, and the diffusion of information, as well as the movement of material in natural cycles such as water through hydrology. "Regions" are generalizations about the common characteristics of areas.
6 – G1.3.1 Use the fundamental themes of geography (location, place, human-environment interaction, movement, region) to describe regions or places on earth.
6 – G1.3.2 Use maps of physical features, land use, and transportation to generalize about the reasons for the distribution of population.
6 – G1.3.3 Explain the different ways in which places are connected and how those connections demonstrate interdependence and accessibility.

G2 PLACES AND REGIONS
Describe the cultural groups and diversities among people that are rooted in particular places and in human constructs called regions. Analyze the physical and human characteristics of places and regions.

G2.1 Physical Characteristics of Place
Describe the physical characteristics of places.
6 – G2.1.1 Locate and describe the landforms, ecosystems, and the climate of the continents.
6 – G2.1.2 Describe the basic patterns and processes of plate tectonics.
6 – G2.1.3 Describe the characteristics of major world climates and ecosystems.

G2.2 Human Characteristics of Place
Describe the human characteristics of places.
6 – G2.2.1 Describe the human characteristics of the region under study, including languages, religions, economic system, governmental system, cultural traditions.
6 – G2.2.2 Explain how communities are affected positively or negatively by changes in technology.
6 – G2.2.3 Explain how culture and experience influence people's perception of places and regions.
6 – G2.2.4 Interpret population pyramids from different countries including birth rates, death rates, male-female differences, and the causes and consequences of the age structure of the population.

G3 PHYSICAL SYSTEMS
Describe the physical processes that shape the Earth's surface that, along with plants and animals, are the basis for both sustaining and modifying ecosystems. Identify and analyze the patterns and characteristics of the major ecosystems on Earth.

G3.1 Physical Processes
Describe the physical processes that shape the patterns of the Earth’s surface.
6 – G3.1.1 Interpret and compare climographs from different latitudes and locations.
6 – G3.1.2 Explain the factors that cause different types of climates.

G3.2 Ecosystems
Describe the characteristics and spatial distribution of ecosystems on Earth’s surface.
6 – G3.2.1 Locate major ecosystems and explain how and why they are similar or different as a consequence of latitude, elevation,
landforms, location, and human factors.
6 – G3.2.2 Identify major ecosystems of the region under study and explain why some provide greater opportunities (fertile soil, length of growing season, precipitation) for humans and how land use changes with technology.

G4 HUMAN SYSTEMS
Explain that human activities may be seen on Earth’s surface. Human systems include the way people divide the land, decide where to live, develop communities that are part of the larger cultural mosaic, and engage in the cultural diffusion of ideas and products within and among groups.

G4.1 Cultural Mosaic
Describe the characteristics, distribution and complexity of Earth’s cultural mosaic.
6 – G4.1.1 Define culture and describe examples of cultural change through diffusion, including what has diffused, why and where it has spread, and consequences.
6 – G4.1.2 Compare the roles of men and women in different societies.
6 – G4.1.3 Describe cultures of the region being studied, including the major languages and religions.
6 – G4.1.4 Explain how cultural patterns influence environments and the daily lives of people.

G4.2 Technology Patterns and Networks
Describe how technology creates patterns and networks that connect people, products, and ideas.
6 – G4.2.1 Identify and describe the advantages, disadvantages, and impact of different technologies used to move people, products, and ideas throughout the world.

G4.3 Patterns of Human Settlement
Describe patterns, processes, and functions of human settlement.
6 – G4.3.1 Explain how people have modified the environment and used technology to make places more suitable for humans.
6 – G4.3.2 Describe patterns of settlement and explain why people settle where they do and how they make their living.
6 – G4.3.3 Explain the patterns, causes, and consequences of major human migrations.

G4.4 Forces of Cooperation and Conflict
Explain how forces of conflict and cooperation among people influence the division of the Earth’s surface and its resources.
6 – G4.4.1 Identify factors that contribute to conflict and cooperation between and among cultural groups (control/use of natural resources, power, wealth and cultural diversity).
6 – G4.4.2 Evaluate examples of cooperation and conflict within the region under study from different perspectives.

G5 ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIETY
Explain that the physical environment is modified by human activities, which are influenced by the ways in which human societies value and use Earth’s natural resources and by Earth’s physical features and processes. Explain how human action modifies the physical environment and how physical systems affect human systems.

6 – G4.1.1 e.g., Explain the spread of businesses like McDonald’s, sports like karate or soccer, products like athletic shoes, or languages like English, or diseases like the Zika virus.
6 – G4.1.2 e.g., Sex is biological while gender is culturally defined and varies widely.
6 – G4.1.4 e.g., Describe how people make a living, raise families, and educate children in different cultures.
6 – G4.2.1 e.g., Describe the advantages and disadvantages of trucks, trains, ships, and planes for moving people and material; also the advantages and disadvantages of print, radio, television, the internet, and social media for moving information.
6 – G4.3.1 e.g., Examples include recovering land in the Netherlands, irrigating deserts or clearing forests for agriculture, or using air conditioning in southern United States.
6 – G4.3.2 e.g., Examples include coastal and river towns in the past and present, the location of megacities, and how people make their livings in different locations.
6 – G4.3.3 e.g., Examples include refugee migrations, economic migration from Mexico and Central America to U.S., African migration to Europe, and rural to urban migration in Asia.
6 – G4.4.1 e.g., Examples might include economic agreements such as European Common Market and “Brexit” in Europe or NAFTA in the United States. Military examples might include NATO. Examples of conflict might include conflicting territorial claims in the South China Sea.
G5.1 **Humans and the Environment**
Describe how human actions modify the environment.
6 – G5.1.1 Describe examples of how humans have impacted and are continuing to impact the environment in different places as a consequence of population size, level of consumption, and technology.
6 – G5.1.2 Explain how different technologies can have positive and negative impacts on the environment.
6 – G5.1.3 Identify ways in which human-induced changes in the physical environment in one place can cause changes in other places.

G5.2 **Physical and Human Systems**
Describe how physical and human systems shape patterns on Earth’s surface.
6– G5.2.1 Describe the effects that a change in the physical environment could have on human activities and the choices people would have to make in adjusting to the change.
6– G5.2.2 Describe how combinations of human decisions and natural forces can lead to (or help people avoid) a natural disaster.

G6 **GLOBAL ISSUES (G1.2.1)**

G6.1 **Global Topic Investigation and Issue Analysis (P2)**
6 – G6.1.1 Contemporary Investigations - Investigate a contemporary global issue, by applying the skills of geographic inquiry (asking geographic questions; acquiring, organizing, and analyzing geographic information; and answering geographic questions) and, when practical, develop a plan for action.

CIVICS AND GOVERNMENT

C1 **PURPOSES OF GOVERNMENT**
Analyze how people identify, organize, and accomplish the purposes of government.

C1.1 **Nature of Civic Life, Politics, and Government**
Describe civic life, politics, and government and explain their relationships.
6 – C1.1.1 Compare and contrast competing ideas about the purposes of government in different countries.
6 – C1.1.2 Examine what it means to be a citizen in different countries.

C3 **STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONS OF GOVERNMENT**
Explain that governments are structured to serve the people. Describe the major activities of government, including making and enforcing laws, providing services and benefits to individuals and groups, assigning individual and collective responsibilities, generating revenue, and providing national security.

C3.6 **Characteristics of Nation-States**
Describe the characteristics of nation-states and how they may interact.
6 – C3.6.1 Define the characteristics of modern nation-states.
6 – C3.6.2 Compare and contrast various forms of government around the world.
C4 RELATIONSHIP OF UNITED STATES TO OTHER NATIONS AND WORLD AFFAIRS

Explain that nations interact with one another through trade, diplomacy, treaties and agreements, humanitarian aid, economic sanctions and incentives, and military force and the threat of force.

C4.3 Conflict and Cooperation Between and Among Nations

Explain the various ways that nations interact both positively and negatively.

6 – C4.3.1 Explain how governments address national and international issues and form policies, and how the policies may not be consistent with those of other countries.

6 – C4.3.2 Explain the challenges to governments and the cooperation needed to address international issues.

6 – C4.3.3 Analyze the impact of treaties, agreements, and international organizations on global issues.

ECONOMICS

E1 THE MARKET ECONOMY

Describe the market economy in terms of the relevance of limited resources, how individuals and institutions make and evaluate decisions, the role of incentives, how buyers and sellers interact to create markets, how markets allocate resources, and the economic role of government in a market economy.

E1.1 Individual, Business, and Government Choices

Describe how individuals, businesses, and government make economic decisions when confronting scarcity in the market economy.

6 – E1.1.1 Explain how incentives in different economic systems can change the decision-making process.

E2 THE NATIONAL ECONOMY

Use economic concepts, terminology, and data to identify and describe how a national economy functions and to study the role of government as a provider of goods and services within a national economy.

E2.3 Role of Government

Describe how national governments make decisions that affect the national economy.

6 – E2.3.1 Describe the impact of sanctions, tariffs, treaties, quotas, and subsidies on a country and on other countries that use its resources.

E3 INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY

Analyze reasons for individuals and businesses to specialize and trade, why individuals and businesses trade across international borders, and the comparisons of the benefits and costs of specialization and the resulting trade for consumers, producers, and governments.

E3.1 Economic Interdependence

Describe patterns and networks of economic interdependence, including trade.
6 – E3.1.1 Use charts and graphs to compare imports and exports of different countries in the world and propose generalizations about patterns of economic interdependence.
6 – E3.1.2 Diagram or map the flow of materials, labor, and capital used to produce a consumer product.
6 – E3.1.3 Explain how communication innovations have affected economic interactions and where and how people work.

E3.3 Economic Systems
Describe how societies organize to allocate resources to produce and distribute goods and services.
6 – E3.3.1 Explain and compare how economic systems (traditional, command, market) answer the three basic economic questions: What goods and services will be produced? How will they be produced? For whom will they be produced?
6 – E3.3.2 Compare the economic and ecological costs and benefits of different kinds of energy production.

PUBLIC DISCOURSE, DECISION MAKING, AND CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT (P3, P4)
P3.1 Identifying and Analyzing Issues, Decision Making, Persuasive Communication About a Public Issue, and Citizen Involvement
6 – P3.1.1 Clearly state a global issue as a question of public policy, trace the origins of the issue, analyze various perspectives, and generate and evaluate alternative resolutions. Identify public policy issues related to global topics and issues studied.
   • Use inquiry methods to acquire content knowledge and appropriate data about the issue.
   • Identify the causes and consequences and analyze the impact, both positive and negative.
   • Share and discuss findings of research and issue analysis in group discussions and debates.
   • Compose a persuasive essay justifying a position with a reasoned argument.
   • Develop an action plan to address or inform others about the issue, at local to global scales.

P4.2 Citizen Involvement
Act constructively to further the public good.
6 – P4.2.1 Demonstrate knowledge of how, when, and where individuals would plan and conduct activities intended to advance views in matters of public policy, report the results, and evaluate effectiveness.
6 – P4.2.2 Engage in activities intended to contribute to solving a national or international problem studied.
6 – P4.2.3 Participate in projects to help or inform others.
Seventh-grade students will review the tools and mental constructs used by historians and geographers. They will develop an understanding of World History, Eras 1 – 4. Geography, civics/government, and economics content is integrated throughout the year. As a capstone, the students will conduct investigations about past and present global issues. Using significant content knowledge, research, and inquiry, they will analyze the issue and propose a plan for the future. As part of the inquiry, they will compose civic, persuasive essays using reasoned argument.

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### PUBLIC DISCOURSE, DECISION MAKING, AND CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT
SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT EXPECTATIONS: GRADE SEVEN

HISTORY

H1 THE WORLD IN TEMPORAL TERMS: HISTORICAL HABITS OF MIND
Evaluate evidence, compare and contrast information, interpret the historical record, and develop sound historical arguments and perspectives on which informed decisions in contemporary life can be based.

H1.1 Temporal Thinking
Use historical conceptual devices to organize and study the past.
7 – H1.1.1 Compare and contrast several different calendar systems used in the past and present and their cultural significance.

H1.2 Historical Inquiry and Analysis
Use historical inquiry and analysis to study the past.
7 – H1.2.1 Explain how historians use a variety of sources to explore the past.
7 – H1.2.2 Read and comprehend a historical passage to identify basic factual knowledge and the literal meaning by indicating who was involved, what happened, where it happened, what events led to the development, and what consequences or outcomes followed.
7 – H1.2.3 Identify the point of view (perspective of the author) and context when reading and discussing primary and secondary sources.
7 – H1.2.4 Compare and evaluate differing historical perspectives based on evidence.
7 – H1.2.5 Describe how historians use methods of inquiry to identify cause/effect relationships in history, noting that many have multiple causes.
7 – H1.2.6 Identify the role of the individual in history and the significance of one person’s ideas.

H1.4 Historical Understanding
Use historical concepts, patterns, and themes to study the past.
7 – H1.4.1 Describe and use cultural institutions to study an era and a region.
7 – H1.4.2 Describe and use themes of history to study patterns of change and continuity.
7 – H1.4.3 Use historical perspectives to analyze global issues faced by humans long ago and today.

W1 WHG ERA 1 – THE BEGINNINGS OF HUMAN SOCIETY: BEGINNINGS TO 4000 BCE/CE
Explain the basic features of and differences between hunter-gatherer societies and pastoral nomads. Analyze and explain the geographic, environmental, biological, and cultural processes that influenced the rise of the earliest human communities, the migration and spread of people throughout the world, and the causes and consequences of the growth of agriculture.

Examples

7 – H1.1.1 e.g., Calendar examples include: sundial; Gregorian calendar – BC/AD; contemporary secular – BCE/CE; Chinese; Hebrew; Islamic/Hijri.

7 – H1.2.1 e.g., Examples include artifacts, primary and secondary sources including narratives, technology, historical maps, visual/mathematical quantitative data, radiocarbon dating, and DNA analysis.

7 – H1.2.2 e.g., A wide range of Document-Based Questions are available to develop case studies appropriate to the era.

7 – H1.4.1 e.g., Examples include political and economic institutions, religion and beliefs, science and technology, written language, education, and family structure.

7 – H1.4.2 e.g., Several lists of history themes are available, including: The History for Us All themes of Patterns of Population; Economic Networks and Exchange; Uses and Abuses of Power; Haves and Have-Nots; Expressing Identity; Science, Technology, and the Environment; and Spiritual Life and Moral Codes.

AP History themes are SPICE: Social, Political, Human-Environment Interaction, Culture, and Economics.
W1.1 Peopling of Earth

Describe the spread of people during Era 1.
7 – W1.1.1 Explain how and when human communities populated major regions of the world and adapted to a variety of environments.
7 – W1.1.2 Explain what archaeologists have learned about Paleolithic and Neolithic societies.

W1.2 Agricultural Revolution

Describe the Agricultural Revolution and explain why it was a turning point in history.
7 – W1.2.1 Describe the transition from hunter gatherers to sedentary agriculture (domestication of plants and animals).
7 – W1.2.2 Explain the importance of the natural environment in the development of agricultural settlements in different locations.
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7 – W1.2.3 Explain the impact of the Agricultural Revolution (stable food supply, surplus, population growth, trade, division of labor, development of settlements).
7 – W1.2.4 Compare and contrast the environmental, economic, and social institutions of two early civilizations.

W2 WHG ERA 2 – EARLY CIVILIZATIONS AND CULTURES AND THE EMERGENCE OF PASTORAL PEOPLES, 4000 TO 1000 BCE/CE

Describe and differentiate defining characteristics of early civilization and pastoral societies, where they emerged, and how they spread.

W2.1 Early Civilizations and Major Empires

Analyze early Eastern Hemisphere civilizations and pastoral societies.
7 – W2.1.1 Describe the importance of the development of human language, oral and written, and its relationship to the development of culture
   • standardization of physical (rock, bird) and abstract (love, fear) words
   • pictographs to abstract writing (governmental administration, laws, codes, history and artistic expressions).
7-W2.1.2 Describe how the invention of agriculture led to the emergence of agrarian civilizations (seasonal harvests, specialized crops, cultivation, and development of villages and towns).
7 – W2.1.3 Use historical and modern maps and other sources to locate, describe, and analyze major river systems and discuss the ways these physical settings supported permanent settlements and development of early civilizations (Tigris and Euphrates rivers, Yangtze River, Nile River, Indus River).
7 – W2.1.4 Examine early civilizations to describe their common features.
7 – W2.1.5 Define the concept of cultural diffusion and how it resulted in the spread of ideas and technology from one region to another.
7 – W2.1.6 Describe pastoralism and explain how the climate and geography of Central Asia were linked to the rise of pastoral societies on the steppes.
W3 WHG ERA 3 – CLASSICAL TRADITIONS, WORLD RELIGIONS, AND MAJOR EMPIRES, 1000 BCE TO 300 CE

Analyze classical civilizations and empires and the emergence of major world religions and large-scale empires. During this era, innovations and social, political, and economic changes occurred through emergence of classical civilizations in Africa and Eurasia. Africa and Eurasia moved in the direction of forming a single world of human interchange as a result of trade, empire building, and the diffusion of skills and ideas. Six of the world’s major faiths and ethical systems emerged and classical civilizations established institutions, systems of thought, and cultural styles that would influence neighboring peoples and endure for centuries.

W3.1 Classical Traditions

Analyze classical civilizations and empires and their lasting impact.

7 – W3.1.1 Describe the characteristics that classical civilizations share.

7 – W3.1.2 Using historic and modern maps, locate three major empires of this era, describe their geographic characteristics including physical features and climates, and propose a generalization about the relationship between geographic characteristics and the development of early empires.

7 – W3.1.3 Compare and contrast the defining characteristics of a city-state, civilization, and empire.

7 – W3.1.4 Assess the importance of Greek ideas about democracy and citizenship in the development of Western political thought and institutions.

7 – W3.1.5 Describe major achievements from Indian, Chinese, Mediterranean, African, and Southwest and Central Asian civilizations.

7 – W3.1.6 Use historic and modern maps to locate and describe trade networks among empires in the classical era.

7 – W3.1.7 Use a case study to describe how trade integrated cultures and influenced the economy within empires.

7 – W3.1.8 Describe the role of state authority, military power, taxation systems, and institutions of coerced labor, including slavery, in building and maintaining empires.

7 – W3.1.9 Describe the significance of legal codes, belief systems, written languages and communications in the development of large regional empires.

7 – W3.1.10 Create a time line that illustrates the rise and fall of classical empires during the classical period.

7 – W3.1.11 Explain the role of economics in shaping the development of classical civilizations and empires.

W3.2 Growth and Development of World Religions

Explain how six of the world’s major faiths and ethical systems emerged, establishing institutions as well as systems of thought and culture.

7 – W3.2.1 Identify and describe the core beliefs of the world’s faith and ethical systems, including Buddhism, Christianity, Confucianism, Hinduism, Daoism, and Judaism.

7 – W3.2.2 Locate the geographical center of major religions and map the spread through the 3rd century CE/AD.
**W4 WHG ERA 4 – EXPANDING AND INTENSIFIED HEMISPHERIC INTERACTIONS, 300 TO 1500**

**W4.1 Cross-temporal or Global Expectations**

Analyze important hemispheric interactions and temporal developments during an era of increasing regional power, religious expansion, and the collapse of some empires.

- W4.1.1 Crisis in the Classical World — Analyze the environmental, economic, and political crises in the classical world that led to the collapse of classical empires and the consolidation of Byzantium.
- W4.1.2 World Religions — Using historical documents and historical and current maps, analyze the rise of Islam, as well as the spread and interactions of major world religions from 300-1500 CE.
- W4.1.3 Trade Networks and Contacts — Analyze the development, interdependence, specialization, and importance of interregional trading systems, both within and between societies.

**W4.2 Interregional or Comparative Expectations**

Analyze and compare important hemispheric interactions and cross-regional developments, including the growth and consequences of an interregional system of communication, trade, and culture exchange during an era of increasing regional power and religious expansion.

- W4.2.1 Growth of Islam and Dar al-Islam (A country, territory, land, or abode where Muslim sovereignty prevails) — Identify and explain the origins and expansion of Islam and the creation of the Islamic Empire.
- W4.2.2 Unification of Eurasia under the Mongols — Using historical and modern maps, locate and describe the geographic patterns of Mongol conquest and expansion, and describe the characteristics of the Pax Mongolica.
- W4.2.3 The Plague — Use historical and modern maps and other evidence to explain the causes and consequences of the Plague.

**W4.3 Regional Expectations**

Some regional expectations are included to set the stage for the emergence of the first global age and the Columbian Exchange.

- W4.3.1 Africa to 1500 — Describe the diverse characteristics of early African societies.
- W4.3.2 The Americas to 1500 — Describe the diverse characteristics of early civilizations in the Americas.
- W4.3.3 China to 1500 — Identify major Chinese dynasties and describe ways they responded to internal and external challenges.
- W4.3.4 The Eastern European System and the Byzantine Empire to 1500 — Analyze restructuring of the Eastern European system.
- W4.3.5 Western Europe to 1500 — Explain the workings of feudalism, manorialism, and the growth of centralized monarchies and city-states in Europe.

**G1.2 Geographical Inquiry and Analysis**

Use geographic inquiry and analysis to answer important questions about relationships between people, cultures, their environment, and relations within the era under study.
7 – G1.2.1 Explain why maps of the same place may vary as a result of new knowledge and/or advances in science and technology.

G2.1 Forces of Cooperation and Conflict
Explain how forces of conflict and cooperation among people influence the division and control of Earth’s surface.

7 – G2.1.1 Identify and explain factors that contribute to conflict and cooperation between and among cultural groups.

7 – G2.1.2 Describe examples of cooperation and conflict within the era under study.

G3 GLOBAL TOPIC INVESTIGATION AND ANALYSIS
Throughout the school year the students are introduced to topics that address global issues that integrate time and place. Included are capstone projects that entail the investigation of historical and contemporary global issues that have significance for the student and are clearly linked to the world outside the classroom. The topics and issues are developed as possible capstone projects within units and at the end of the course.

G3.1 Public Discourse, Decision Making, and Citizen Involvement (P3, P4)
7 – G3.1.1 - Investigations Designed for World History Eras 1-4 – Conduct research on global topics and issues, compose persuasive essays, and develop a plan for action.

PUBLIC DISCOURSE, DECISION MAKING, AND CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT (P3, P4)

P3.1 Identifying and Analyzing Issues, Decision Making, Persuasive Communication About a Public Issue, and Citizen Involvement
7 – P3.1.1 Clearly state an issue as a question or public policy, trace the origins of an issue, analyze and synthesize various perspectives, and generate and evaluate alternative resolutions. Deeply examine policy issues in group discussions and debates to make reasoned and informed decisions. Write persuasive/argumentative essays expressing and justifying decisions on public policy issues. Plan and conduct activities intended to advance views on matters of public policy, report the results, and evaluate effectiveness.

- Identify public policy issues related to global topics and issues studied.
- Clearly state the issue as a question of public policy orally or in written form.
- Use inquiry methods to acquire content knowledge and appropriate data about the issue.
- Identify the causes and consequences and analyze the impact, both positive and negative.
- Share and discuss findings of research and issue analysis in group discussions and debates.
- Compose a persuasive essay justifying the position with a reasoned argument.
- Develop an action plan to address or inform others about the issue at the local to global scales.
P4.2 Citizen Involvement

Act constructively to further the public good.
7 – P4.2.1 Demonstrate knowledge of how, when, and where individuals would plan and conduct activities intended to advance views in matters of public policy, report the results, and evaluate effectiveness.
7 – P4.2.2 Engage in activities intended to contribute to solving a national or international problem studied.
7 – P4.2.3 Participate in projects to help or inform others.

7 - P4.2 e.g., Service learning projects
Eighth-grade students continue their study of United States history from the development of the Constitution through Reconstruction. Geographic, civics/government, and economics content is integrated within the historical context. Students should understand the relevancy and connections of this history to their lives. Students will use significant content knowledge, research, and inquiry to analyze issues. They develop reasoned arguments and write a persuasive civic essay addressing issues from the past within a historical context.

**INTEGRATED UNITED STATES HISTORY, ORGANIZED BY ERA (USHG)**

Foundational Issues in USHG Eras 1-2 (Review of Grade 5 Social Studies)
F1  Political and Intellectual Transformations
F2  Geographic, Economic, Social, and Demographic Trends in America

USHG ERA 3 – Revolution and the New Nation (1754-1800s)
3.3 Creating New Government(s) and a New Constitution (introduced in Grade 5; begins Grade 8 expectations)

USHG ERA 4 – EXPANSION AND REFORM (1792-1861)
4.1 Challenges to an Emerging Nation
4.2 Regional and Economic Growth
4.3 Reform Movements

USHG ERA 5 – CIVIL WAR AND RECONSTRUCTION (1850-1877)
5.1 The Coming of Civil War
5.2 Civil War
5.3 Reconstruction
5.4 Policy Issues in USHG Eras 3-5

Note: U.S. historians, history books, history standards, and the peoples themselves have used, at one time or another, “Native American” and “American Indian,” while Canadian history uses “First Peoples” to refer to inhabitants of North America prior to European exploration, conquest, and settlement. While we are using “indigenous peoples” throughout the content expectations, students should be familiar with the different names and specific tribal identities as they will likely encounter variations over the course of their studies.
FOUNDATIONS IN UNITED STATES HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY ERAS 1-2

These foundational expectations are included to help students draw upon their previous study of American history and connect 8th grade United States history with the history studied in 5th grade. To set the stage for the study of United States history that begins with the development of the United States Constitution, students should be able to draw upon an understanding of these philosophies and intellectual foundations.

F1 Political and Intellectual Transformations
F1.1 Describe the ideas, experiences, and interactions that influenced the colonists’ decisions to declare independence by analyzing:
- the core values declared as self-evident truths ("core principles") held by the founding fathers
- experiences with self-government (e.g., House of Burgesses and town meetings) changing interactions with the royal government of Great Britain after the French and Indian War

F1.2 Using the Declaration of Independence, including grievances, unifying principles, and core values analyze the:
- colonists’ views of government
- their reasons for separating from Great Britain

F1.3 Describe the consequences of the American Revolution by analyzing and evaluating the relative influences of:
- birth of an independent republican government
- creation of the Articles of Confederation
- changing views on freedom and equality
- concerns over distribution of power within governments, between government and the governed, and among people

U3 USHG ERA 3 – REVOLUTION AND THE NEW NATION

U3.3 Creating New Government(s) and a New Constitution

Explain the challenges faced by the new nation and analyze the development of the Constitution as a new plan for governing. [Foundations for Civics HSCE Standard 2.2.]

Note: Expectations U3.3.1–U3.3.5 address content that was introduced in Grade 5, but ask for explanation and analysis at a higher level than expected in Grade 5. They are included here to support in-depth discussion of the historical and philosophical origins of constitutional government in the United States.

8 – U3.3.1 Explain the reasons for the adoption and subsequent failure of the Articles of Confederation.

8 – U3.3.2 Identify economic, political, and cultural issues facing the nation during the period of the Articles of Confederation and the opening of the Constitutional Convention.

8 – U3.3.3 Describe the major issues debated at the Constitutional Convention, including the distribution of political power among the states and within the federal government, the conduct of foreign affairs, commerce with tribes, rights of individuals, election of the executive, and slavery as a regional and federal issue.
8 – U3.3.4 Explain how the new constitution resolved (or compromised) the major issues, including sharing and separation of power, and checking of power among federal government institutions; dual sovereignty (state-federal power); rights of individuals; the Electoral College; the Three-Fifths Compromise; the Great Compromise; AND RELATIONSHIPS AND AFFAIRS WITH INDIGENOUS NATIONS.

8 – U3.3.5 Analyze the debates over the ratification of the Constitution from the perspectives of Federalists and Anti-Federalists and describe how the states ratified the Constitution.

8 – U3.3.6 Explain how the Bill of Rights reflected the concept of limited government, protections of basic freedoms, and the fear among many Americans of a strong central government.

8 – U3.3.7 Explain how the core values are embodied in the Constitution through constitutional features such as representative government, separation of powers, checks and balances, federalism, enumerated powers, bicameralism, Bill of Rights, and popular sovereignty.

8 – U3.3.8 Describe the philosophical origins of constitutional government in the United States using the core values.

U4 USHG ERA 4 – EXPANSION AND REFORM (1792-1861)

U4.1 Challenges to an Emerging Nation

Analyze the challenges the new federal government faced and the role of political and social leaders in meeting those challenges.

8 – U4.1.1 Washington’s Farewell – Use President George Washington’s Farewell Address to analyze Washington’s perspective on the most significant challenges the new nation faced.

8 – U4.1.2 Establishing America’s Place in the World – Assess the changes in America’s relationships with other nations by analyzing the origins, intents, and purposes of treaties.

8 – U4.1.3 Challenge of Political Conflict – Examine the origins and intentions of early American political parties, including how they emerged, who participated, and what influenced their ideologies.

8 – U4.1.4 Establishing a National Judiciary and Its Power – Use Marbury v. Madison to explain the development of the power of the Supreme Court through the doctrine of judicial review.

U4.2 Regional and Economic Growth

Describe and analyze the nature and impact of territorial, demographic, and economic growth in the first three decades of the new nation, using maps, charts, and other evidence.

8 – U4.2.1 Comparing the Northeast and the South – Compare and contrast the social and economic systems of the Northeast, the South, and the Western Frontier (Kentucky, Ohio Valley, etc.), with respect to geography and climate and the development of:

- agriculture, including changes in productivity, technology, supply and demand, and price
- industry, including entrepreneurial development of new industries, such as textiles
- the labor force, including labor incentives and changes in labor forces
- transportation, including changes in transportation (steamboats and canal barges) and the impact on economic markets and prices
• immigration and the growth of nativism
• race relations
• class relations
8 – U4.2.2 The Institution of Slavery – Explain the ideology of the institution of slavery, its policies, and consequences.
8 – U4.2.3 Westward Expansion – Analyze the expansion, conquest, and settlement of the West through the Louisiana Purchase, the removal of indigenous peoples (Trail of Tears) from their native lands, the growth of a system of commercial agriculture, and the idea of Manifest Destiny.
8 – U4.2.4 Consequences of Expansion – Develop an argument based on evidence about the positive and negative consequences of territorial and economic expansion on indigenous peoples, the institution of slavery, and the relations between free and slaveholding states.

U4.3 Reform Movements
Analyze the growth of antebellum American reform movements.
8 – U4.3.1 Explain the origins of the American Education system.
8 – U4.3.2 Describe the formation and development of the abolitionist movement by considering the roles of key abolitionist leaders and the response of southerners and northerners to the abolitionist movement.
8 – U4.3.3 Analyze the antebellum women’s rights (and suffrage) movement by discussing the goals of its leaders and comparing primary source documents from this era to the Declaration of Independence.
8 – U4.3.4 Analyze the goals and effects of the antebellum temperance movement.
8 – U4.3.5 Investigate the role of religion in shaping antebellum reform movements.

U5 USHG ERA 5 – CIVIL WAR AND RECONSTRUCTION (1850-1877)

U5.1 The Coming of the Civil War
Analyze and evaluate the early attempts to abolish or contain slavery and to realize the ideals of the Declaration of Independence.
8 – U5.1.1 Compare the differences in the lives of free black people (including those who escaped from slavery) with the lives of free white people and enslaved persons.
8 – U5.1.2 Describe the role of the Northwest Ordinance and its effect on the banning of slavery.
8 – U5.1.3 Describe the competing views of John C. Calhoun, Daniel Webster, and Henry Clay on the nature of the union among the states.
8 – U5.1.4 Draw conclusions about why the following increased sectional tensions:
• the Missouri Compromise (1820)
• the Wilmot Proviso (1846)
• the Compromise of 1850 including the Fugitive Slave Act
• the Kansas-Nebraska Act (1854) and subsequent conflict in Kansas
• the Dred Scott v. Sandford decision (1857)

8 - U4.3.1 e.g., Benjamin Franklin, Benjamin Rush, Noah Webster, and Horace Mann
8 - U4.3.2 e.g., John Brown and the armed resistance, Harriet Tubman, the Underground Railroad, Sojourner Truth, William Lloyd Garrison, and Frederick Douglass
8 - U4.3.3 e.g., Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton; the Declaration of Sentiments, Elizabeth Cady Stanton’s Address on Women’s Rights September 1848
8 - U4.3.5 e.g., differences in beliefs by different denominations of Christianity

8 - U5.1.2 e.g., the establishment of Michigan as a free state
8 U5.1.3 e.g., sectionalism, nationalism, federalism, state rights
8 - U5.1.4 e.g., the death of the Whig party, rise of the Republican party and division of the Democratic party
8 – U5.1.5 Describe the resistance of enslaved persons and effects of their actions before and during the Civil War.

8 – U5.1.6 Describe how major issues debated at the Constitutional Convention such as disagreements over the distribution of political power, rights of individuals (liberty and property), rights of states, election of the executive, and slavery help explain the Civil War.

U5.2 Civil War
Evaluate the multiple causes, key events, and complex consequences of the Civil War.

8 – U5.2.1 Discuss the social, political, economic, and cultural reasons for secession.

8 – U5.2.2 Make an argument to explain the reasons why the North won the Civil War by considering the:
- critical events and battles in the war
- political and military leadership of the North and South
- respective advantages and disadvantages of each side, including geographic, demographic, economic, and technological

8 – U5.2.3 Examine Abraham Lincoln’s presidency with respect to:
- his military and political leadership
- the evolution of his emancipation policy (including the Emancipation Proclamation)
- the role of his significant writings and speeches, including the Gettysburg Address and its relationship to the Declaration of Independence

8 – U5.2.4 Describe the role of African Americans in the war, including black soldiers and regiments, and the increased resistance of enslaved people.

8 – U5.2.5 Construct generalizations about how the war affected combatants, civilians (including the role of women), the physical environment, and the future of warfare, including technological developments.

U5.3 Reconstruction
Using evidence, develop an argument regarding the character and consequences of Reconstruction.

8 – U5.3.1 Compare the different positions concerning the reconstruction of Southern society and the nation, including the positions of President Abraham Lincoln, President Andrew Johnson, Republicans, Democrats, and African Americans.

8 – U5.3.2 Describe the early responses to the end of the Civil War by describing the:
- policies of the Freedmen’s Bureau
- restrictions placed on the rights and opportunities of freedmen, including racial segregation and Black Codes

8 – U5.3.3 Describe the new role of African Americans in local, state, and federal governments in the years after the Civil War and the resistance to this change, including the Ku Klux Klan.

8 – U5.3.4 Analyze the intent and the effect of the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Amendments to the Constitution.

8 – U5.3.5 Explain the decision to remove Union troops from the South in 1877 and investigate its impact on Americans.
**U5.4 Investigation Topics and Issue Analysis (P2)**

Use the historical perspective to investigate a significant historical topic from United States History Eras 3-6 that also has significance as an issue or topic in the United States today.

8 – U5.4.1 United States History Investigation Topic and Issue Analysis, Past and Present – Use historical perspectives to analyze issues in the United States from the past and the present; conduct research on a historical issue or topic; identify a connection to a contemporary issue, and present findings; include causes and consequences of the historical action; and predict possible consequences of the contemporary action.

**U6.1 Investigation Topics and Issue Analysis (P2)**

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8 – U6.1.1 Use the historical perspective to analyze issues in the United States from the past and the present; conduct research on a historical issue or topic, identify a connection to a contemporary issue, and present findings (e.g., oral, visual, video or electronic presentation, persuasive essay, or research paper); include causes and consequences of the historical action and predict possible consequences of the contemporary action.

**P3.1 Identifying and Analyzing Issues, Decision Making, Persuasive Communication About a Public Issue, and Citizen Involvement**

8 – P3.1.1 Identify, research, analyze, discuss, and defend a position on a national public policy issue.

- Identify a national public policy issue.
- Clearly state the issue as a question of public policy, orally or in written form.
- Use inquiry methods to trace the origins of the issue and to acquire data about the issue.
- Generate and evaluate alternative resolutions to the public issue and analyze various perspectives (causes, consequences, positive and negative impact) on the issue.
- Identify and apply core values or constitutional principles.
- Share and discuss findings of research and issue analysis in group discussions and debates.
- Compose a persuasive essay justifying the position with a reasoned argument.
- Develop an action plan to address or inform others about the issue.

**P4.2 Citizen Involvement**

Act constructively to further the public good.
8 – P4.2.1 Demonstrate knowledge of how, when, and where individuals would: plan and conduct activities intended to advance views in matters of public policy; report the results; and evaluate effectiveness.

8 – P4.2.2 Engage in activities intended to contribute to the solution of a national or international problem studied.

8 – P4.2.3 Participate in projects to help or inform others (e.g., service learning projects).
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The World in Time and Space: Michigan’s Content Expectations

Michigan’s World History and Geography content expectations encourage students to work with and across different scales of time and space to:

- investigate global patterns and developments over time while connecting more local patterns to larger interregional and global patterns
- employ different analytical schemes, including global, regional, national and local, to understand developments over time
- make comparisons within and among regions and societies, and across time
- develop an understanding of the historical and geographic context of human commonalities and differences, particularly in considering claims of universal standards or of cultural diversity

In their studies students will focus on five large historical and geographic patterns:

- the causes, consequences, and patterns of changes in human governance systems and changes over time
- the causes, consequences, and patterns of interactions among societies and regions, including trade, war, diplomacy, and international institutions
- the impact of demographic, technological, environmental, and economic changes on people, their cultures, and their environments
- the causes, consequences, and patterns of cultural, intellectual, religious and social changes
- the relationship between the environment and developments in population, settlement, economy, and politics

Using time, the K-12 expectations are presented in eight overlapping historical eras. The high school expectations include ERAs 5-8 and conclude with a set of contemporary global issues. A contextualized review of major ideas from eras 1-4 may be helpful.

Era 5: The Emergence of the First Global Age, 15th to 18th Centuries
Era 6: An Age of Global Revolutions, 18th Century to 1914
Era 7: Global Crisis and Achievement, 1900 to 1945
Era 8: The Cold War and Its Aftermath: The 20th Century Since 1945

Contemporary Global Issues

Global Expectations focus on large-scale patterns occurring in several areas of the globe, such as the collapse or decline of empires, growth of trade networks, war, industrialism, and the diffusion of religions or philosophies. Expectations at this level also include comparisons that span across time (or eras), such as comparing the growth of world religions before 1500 CE/AD with growth after 1500 or comparing the agricultural economic system of the 17th century with the industrial economic system of the 18th century.

Interregional expectations focus on interregional patterns and comparisons across spaces within a particular era. These expectations also include cross-spatial comparisons, such as comparing the social and economic impacts of industrialism in particular regions of the world and comparing 20th century independence movements in India, Africa, and Southeast Asia.

Although the expectations are divided into eras and spatial scales for the purpose of organization, teachers and students must not see fixed lines between eras and spatial scales. These are not absolute compartments but rather fluid, nested categories used to help organize content expectations. For example, teachers and students should be able to move from a global look at trade networks in the 10th century, through an interregional look, to a look at the impact of trade in regions such as South Africa, Japan, or Cuba. The connections between and among these temporal eras and spatial scales are the most important features of world history and geography. To help suggest connections among and between expectations, the standards contain many cross references to help teachers and students make connections across time and space.
USING THE WORLD HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY HSCE: THINGS TO REMEMBER

Several considerations are important as teachers use the High School Content Expectations to plan instruction.

- The High School Content Expectations are the foundation for developing historical, geographic, civic, and economic thinking.
- Active social studies inquiry is essential. The Arc of Inquiry is a description of the process that helps students develop the kind of reasoned and informed decision making needed for active citizenship in American society.
- Beyond the high school courses needed to develop state assessments, the HSCE do not specify lessons, units, or an instructional sequence. World geography can be taught regionally or thematically, and history can be taught past to present, or present to past.
- On numerous occasions, the expectations will include examples to help clarify teachable content. These specific examples are suggestions. Educators may use other examples to meet the expectations or to guide instruction and the creation of local curriculum and resources. The examples are not required content but may appear in a prompt of an assessment question; however, the focus of a state summative assessment question will be the language and content of the expectation itself.

PROCESS AND SKILLS

The Social Studies Process and Skills for High School are repeated in each of the Course/Credit standards.

WORLD HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY (WHG) CONTENT STATEMENT OUTLINE

GENERAL SOCIAL SCIENCE KNOWLEDGE, PROCESSES, AND SKILLS

P1 Reading and Communication
P2 Inquiry, Research, and Analysis
P3 Public Discourse and Decision Making
P4 Citizen Involvement

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Eras 5 – 8 Addressed in WHG HSCE

WHG Era 5 – The Emergence of the First Global Age, 15th to 18th Centuries

5.1 Emerging Global System and World Religions
5.2 European Exploration/Conquest and Columbian Exchange, Trans-African and Trans-Atlantic Slave Systems

WHG Era 6 – An Age of Global Revolutions, 18th Century-1914

6.1 Global Revolutions, World-Wide Migrations and Population Changes, Increasing Global Interconnections, Changes in Economic and Political Systems, Interpreting Europe’s Increasing Global Power
6.2 Political Revolutions, Growth of Nationalism and Nation-States, Industrialization, Imperialism

WHG Era 7 – Global Crisis and Achievement, 1900-1945

7.1 Increasing Government and Political Power, Comparative Global Power, Twentieth Century Genocide, Global Technology, and Total War
7.2 World War I, Inter-War Period, World War II, Revolutionary and/or Independence Movements


8.1 Origins of Cold War, Cold War Conflicts, End of Cold War, Mapping the 20th Century
8.2 The Legacy of Imperialism; Independence, Decolonization, and Democratization Movements; Middle East

Contemporary Global Issues 1 – 4 (Population, Resources, Patterns of Global Interactions, Conflict, Cooperation, and Security)
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WHG ERA 5 – THE EMERGENCE OF THE FIRST GLOBAL AGE, 15TH TO 18TH CENTURIES

5.1 Cross-temporal or Global Expectations
Analyze the global impact of and significant developments caused by transoceanic travel and the linking of all the major areas of the world by the 18th century.

5.1.1 Emerging Global System – Analyze the impact of increased oceanic travel, including changes in the global system of trade, migration, and political power as compared to the previous era.

5.1.2 World Religions – Analyze the impact of the diffusion of world religions on social, political, cultural, and economic systems.

5.2 Interregional or Comparative Expectations
Analyze the impact of oceanic travel on interregional interactions.

5.2.1 European Exploration/Conquest and Columbian Exchange – Explain the demographic, environmental, and political consequences of European oceanic travel and conquest; describe the geographic routes taken in the exchange of people, plants, animals and pathogens; and evaluate the impact of these exchanges in the late 15th and 16th centuries.

5.2.2 Trans-African and Trans-Atlantic Slave Systems – Analyze the emerging trans-Atlantic slave system by comparing it to other systems of labor with respect to the causes and development of the Atlantic trade system, including economic exchanges, the diffusion of Africans in the Americas (including the Caribbean and South America), and the Middle Passage.

5.2.3 Growth of Christianity—Analyze the spread of Christianity, including:
- The geographic extent of Christianity and the artistic, scientific, technological, and economic features of Christian societies
- The role of Christianity as a cultural, political, and economic force
- The role of Christianity as both a political and religious institution

WHG ERA 6 – AN AGE OF GLOBAL REVOLUTIONS, 18TH CENTURY-1914

6.1 Global or Cross-temporal Expectations
Evaluate the causes, characteristics, and consequences of revolutions of the intellectual, political, and economic structures in an era of increasing global trade and consolidations of power.

6.1.1 Global Revolutions – Analyze the causes and global consequences of major political and industrial revolutions, focusing on changes in relative political and military power, economic production, and commerce.

6.1.2 World-wide Migrations and Population Changes – Analyze the causes and consequences of shifts in world population and major patterns of long-distance migrations, including the impact of industrialism, imperialism, changing diets, and scientific advances.

6.1.3 Increasing Global Interconnections – Describe the increasing

Examples

5.1 e.g., the major political, religious, economic, and cultural transformations in the Ottoman Empire; reasons for the continuity of Chinese society under the Ming and Quing dynasties, including the role of Confucianism, the civil service, and Chinese oceanic exploration

5.2 e.g., colonial transformations in Latin America, including: the near-elimination of American Indian civilizations and peoples; social stratification; peninsulares, creoles, mestizos

6.1 e.g., the important regional developments and political, economic, and social transformations in Europe, Japan, China, and Africa

6.1.1 e.g., communism, socialism, nationalism, capitalism, global influence of innovations and technologies and global trade

6.1.3 e.g., economic impact of the Renaissance, the Reformation, and demographic shifts due to the decline of Mughal or Ottoman empires
global interconnections and new global networks that resulted in
the spread of major innovations in governance, economic systems,
technologies, and commodities.

6.1.4 Changes in Economic and Political Systems – Compare
the emerging economic and political systems (industrialism
and democracy) with the economic and political systems of the
previous era (agriculture and absolutism).

6.1.5 Interpreting Europe’s Increasing Global Power – Describe
Europe’s increasing global power between 1500 and 1900, and
evaluate the merits of the argument that this rise was caused by
factors internal to Europe or factors external to Europe.

6.2 Interregional or Comparative Expectations
Analyze and compare the interregional patterns of nationalism,
state building, and social reform and imperialism.

6.2.1 Political Revolutions – Analyze the Age of Revolutions by
comparing and contrasting the American Revolution, the French
Revolution, and one other revolution that occurred in a region
external to Europe from the standpoint of political, economic, and
social causes and consequences.

6.2.2 Growth of Nationalism and Nation-states – Compare and
contrast the rise of nation-states in a western context and non-
western context.

6.2.3 Industrialization – Compare and contrast the consequences
of industrialization in different regions by:
• describing the social and economic impacts of
  industrialization, particularly its effect on women
  and children and the rise of organized labor movements
• describing the environmental impacts of industrialization
  and urbanization

6.2.4 Imperialism – Analyze the political, economic, and social
causes and consequences of imperialism by:
• using historical evidence to analyze and explain the causes
  and global consequences of 19th-century imperialism,
  including encounters between imperial powers (Europe,
  Japan) and local peoples in India, Africa, Central Asia, and
  East Asia.
• describing the connection between imperialism and racism,
  including the social construction of race
• analyze the responses to imperialism by African and Asian
  peoples

WHG ERA 7 – GLOBAL CRISIS AND ACHIEVEMENT, 1900-1945

7.1 Global or Cross-temporal Expectations
Analyze changes in global balances of military, political, economic,
and technological power and influence in the first half of the 20th
century.

7.1.1 Increasing Government and Political Power – Explain
the expanding role of state power in managing economies,
transportation systems, technologies, and other social
environments, including its impact of the daily lives of their
citizens.

7.1.2 Comparative Global Power – Use historical and modern
maps and other sources to analyze and explain the changes in the
global balance of military, political, and economic power between
1900 and 1945 (including the changing role of the United States
and those resisting foreign domination).
7.1.3 Twentieth Century Genocide – Use primary and secondary sources to analyze the causes and consequences of genocide in the 20th century.

7.1.4 Global Technology – Evaluate how significant technological and scientific innovations both benefited and imperiled humanity.

7.1.5 Total War – Compare and contrast modern warfare and its resolution with warfare in the previous eras; include analysis of the role of technology and civilians.

7.2 Interregional or Comparative Expectations

Assess the interregional causes and consequences of the global wars and revolutionary movements during this era.

7.2.1 World War I – Explain the causes, characteristics, and long-term consequences of World War I by:

- considering multiple perspectives on the effects of nationalism, industrialization, disputes over territory, systems of alliances, imperialism, the role of colonial peoples, and militarism
- describing the distinctive characteristics and impacts of the war on the soldiers and people at home, including the use of propaganda
- explaining the major decisions made in the Versailles Treaty and analyzing its spatial and political consequences, including the mandate system, reparations, and national self-determination around the globe

7.2.2 Inter-war Period – Analyze the transformations that shaped world societies between World War I and World War II by:

- examining the causes and consequences of the economic depression on different regions, nations, and the globe
- describing and explaining the rise of fascism and the spread of communism in Europe and Asia
- comparing and contrasting the rise of nationalism in China, Turkey, and India

7.2.3 World War II – Analyze the causes, course, characteristics, and immediate consequences of World War II by:

- explaining the causes of World War II, including the aggression and conflict appeasement that led to war in Europe and Asia explaining the Holocaust (or Shoah), including Nazi ideology, policies, consequences, and responses by the Allies, international organizations, and individuals
- investigating the development and enactment of Hitler’s “final solution” policy, and the responses to genocide by the Allies, the United States government, international organizations, and individuals
- analyzing the major turning points and unique characteristics of the war
- explaining the spatial and political impact of the Allied negotiations on the nations of Eastern Europe and the world
- analyzing the immediate consequences of the war's end, including the devastation, effects on population, dawn of the atomic age, and the occupation of Germany and Japan
- describing the emergence of the United States and the Soviet Union as global superpowers

7.1.4 e.g., electronics, interplanetary probes, antibiotics, atomic and hydroelectric power

7.2.1 e.g., the ideologies, policies, and governing methods of 20th century dictatorial regimes (Germany, Italy, Spain, and the Soviet Union); examination of the economic, social, and political impacts of significant events in countries in Europe and Asia, such as the Russian Revolution.

7.2.2 e.g., examination of the economic, social, and political impacts of the Russian Revolution, Japanese imperialism, Chinese nationalism, the emergence of communism, and India’s struggle for independence
WHG ERA 8 – THE COLD WAR AND ITS AFTERMATH: THE 20TH AND 21ST CENTURIES SINCE 1945

8.1 Global and Cross-temporal Expectations
Analyze the global reconfigurations and restructuring of political and economic relationships in the Post-World War II era.
8.1.1 Origins of the Cold War – Explain the economic, political, and military origins of the Cold War.
8.1.2 Cold War Conflicts – Compare and contrast the causes and consequences of major Cold War conflicts, including the arms race and space race, and conflicts in Asia, Africa, and Central America.
8.1.3 End of the Cold War – Develop an argument to explain the end of the Cold War and its significance as a 20th-century event, and the subsequent transitions from bipolar to multipolar center(s) of power.
8.1.4 Mapping the 20th Century – Using post-World War I, post-World War II, height of the Cold War, and current world political maps, explain the changing configuration of political boundaries in the world caused by the world wars, the Cold War, and the growth of nationalist sovereign states (including Israel, Jordan, Palestine).

8.2 Interregional or Comparative Expectations
Assess and compare the regional struggles for and against independence, decolonization, and democracy across the world.
8.2.1 The Legacy of Imperialism – Explain the impact of imperialism in Africa, Southeast Asia, and Latin America during and after the Cold War, including the importance of the massive resistance and non-violent philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi compared to other philosophies used in the struggle for independence.
8.2.2 Independence, Decolonization, and Democratization Movements – Compare the independence movements and formation of new nations in the Indian Subcontinent, Africa, Eastern Europe, and Southeast Asia during and after the Cold War.
8.2.3 Southwest Asia – Analyze the causes and consequences of conflicts in Southwest Asia.

CONTEMPORARY GLOBAL ISSUES
Evaluate the events, trends and forces that are increasing global interdependence and expanding global networks, and evaluate the events, trends and forces that are attempting to maintain or expand autonomy of regional or local networks.

CG1 Population
Explain the causes and consequences of population changes since 1945 by analyzing the:
• population change (including birth rate, death rate, life expectancy, growth rate, doubling time, aging population, changes in science and technology)
• distributions of population (including relative changes in urban-rural population, gender, age, patterns of migrations, and population density)
• relationship of the population changes to global interactions, and their impact on three regions of the world

8.1.1 e.g., ideological and political differences between the Soviet bloc and the West, including the development of communism in China
8.1.2 e.g., power struggles between the United States, the Soviet Union, Korea, and Vietnam, as well as ideological and military competition in and around the areas of Cuba and the Congo
8.2.1 e.g., colonialism, internal and external fighting over natural resources leading to changing locations of national borders, and people’s responses in the form of massive resistance through nonviolent protest
8.2.2 e.g., consider including the importance of the massive resistance and nonviolent philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi, compared to other philosophies used in the struggle for independence.
8.2.3 e.g., the development of the state of Israel including continued Arab-Israeli disputes, Palestine, and the Suez Crisis
CG2 Resources
Explain the changes since 1945 in the use, distribution, and importance of natural resources (including land, water, energy, food; and renewable, non-renewable, and flow resources) on human life, settlement, and interactions by describing and evaluating:
- change in spatial distribution and use of natural resources
- the differences in ways societies have been using and distributing natural resources
- social, political, economic, and environmental consequences of the development, distribution, and use of natural resources
- major changes in networks for the production, distribution, and consumption of natural resources, including the growth of multinational corporations and governmental and non-governmental organizations
- the impact of humans on the global environment

CG3 Patterns of Global Interactions
Define the process of globalization and evaluate the merit of this concept to describe the contemporary world by analyzing:
- economic interdependence of the world's countries, world trade patterns, and the impact on those who labor
- the exchanges of scientific, technological, and medical innovations
- cultural diffusion and the different ways cultures/societies respond to "new" cultural ideas
- the comparative economic advantages and disadvantages of regions, regarding cost of labor, natural resources, location, and tradition
- distribution of wealth and resources and efforts to narrow the inequitable distribution of resources

CG4 Conflict, Cooperation, and Security
Analyze the causes and challenges of continuing and new conflicts by describing:
- tensions resulting from ethnic, territorial, religious, and/or nationalist differences
- causes of and responses to ethnic cleansing/genocide/mass extermination
- local and global attempts at peacekeeping, security, democratization, and administration of international justice and human rights
- the type of warfare used in these conflicts, including terrorism, private militias, and new technologies
UNITED STATES HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY

The disciplined study of history and geography is vital and essential for citizens in a democratic society such as the United States. History and geography help us understand the origins, development, growth, and challenges of our institutions and our culture. These disciplines help to locate ourselves in both time and space and thus help us think about who we are and about our possible futures. The study of history and geography of the United States prepares us to take up the challenges of life in contemporary society, by helping us see the common and diverse strands that formed and continue to shape our present life while developing the habits of mind essential for democratic citizenship.

Since the content expectations use both geography and history, it is vital that Michigan teachers understand the major features of geography and history to understand the design of these expectations.

HISTORY: AN INTEGRATIVE, DISCIPLINED STUDY

History is an integrative discipline that studies change over time in people, places, and environments. The content of history consists of human beings and how, at different times and in different places, people and their cultures and societies have changed and developed. Historians study the past to understand the present, drawing upon a vast storehouse of information about human behavior, relationships between people and environments, and the ways that people have developed solutions to meet their perceived problems. History is important for students in the 21st century, because of the role the past plays in shaping the present. As a philosopher once remarked, “We live our lives forward, but we understand them backward.”

Like geography, the study of history also seeks to foster citizens who actively and systematically investigate the world and its relationships. The disciplined study of history requires students to develop important questions, conduct inquiry, and evaluate and develop historical arguments. Like all disciplines, historical study begins with problems, questions, and curiosities. Historians wonder about how things came to be the way they are, or how interpretations of the past influence action in the present. History, however, requires the ability to engage in investigations using different types of evidence and data, including those generated by other disciplines such as economics and geography. The study of history requires students to analyze and use a wide range of sources – such as public and private documents, numerical data, and maps – to develop the most accurate picture of the past possible. Studying history also requires students to analyze and evaluate conflicting interpretations and assess past examples of change over time. The study of history thus provides frequent opportunities to engage in reasoned debate, to assess the merits of competing claims about the present and the past, and to consider the world from different perspectives. It helps students understand the complexity involved in most changes while attending to the continuities often obscured by dramatic change. Students studying history also learn to make reasoned arguments, supported by facts and evidence, and informed by competing perspectives.

History thus not only helps us use facts to understand the context and background of our institutions, cultures and societies; it also helps increase our ability to analyze change, evaluate others’ interpretations, and develop and improve our own. It draws on a wide range of information and approaches to investigate the dynamic historical processes and interpretations that shape the world in which we live.

GEOGRAPHY: AN INTEGRATIVE, DISCIPLINED STUDY

Geography is an integrative discipline that brings together the physical and human dimensions of the world in the study of people, places, and environments. The content of geography is Earth’s surface and the processes that result in natural environments, the relationships between people and environments, and the ways that people use and view places both near and far. Geography is important because the world facing students in the 21st century is more crowded, the maintenance of a sustainable physical environment more challenging, and the global economy is more competitive and interconnected. Comprehending issues and making decisions about local places, regions, the world, and the diverse environments and the economies requires competencies with geography from the local to global scale.
The purpose of studying geography is to foster the development of citizens who will actively seek and systematically use a spatial perspective in viewing the world. The spatial perspective is the ability to view the patterns and dynamic processes on Earth. These patterns and processes occur as webs of relationships within and between the natural world and the activities of human societies. A spatial perspective enables an individual to visualize, comprehend, and ask questions about why the human and physical systems occur in particular patterns and combinations; where they are on Earth’s surface; why they are there; and what are the consequences for people and the environment? For example, large quantities of the world’s petroleum resources are located near the Persian Gulf. They are at that location due to Earth’s physical processes in the past. The consequences are that availability and cost of petroleum are affected by the political, economic, territorial, and military events that occur in and near the Persian Gulf region.

The study of geography as a discipline is approached two ways. One is as a regional study in which Earth is examined by areas that share a similar criterion or continuity. For example, a regional criterion may be geopolitical. Examples include Michigan as a state and Canada as a country, each with its particular geopolitical boundaries and legal jurisdictions. The second approach is systematic geography. Earth is examined by topics that share common attributes, but may occur in different regions. Examples include urbanization and the spatial structure and function of cities. Most cities have a central business district, satellite business centers in the suburbs, and social, economic, and ethnic residential patterns that spread across the urban space. At times, regional and systematic geographic studies merge, such as the study of migration to urban centers in Mexico, Central, and South America. A similar study of migration could be completed for Africa or Asia. Among the systematic topics are human/cultural, economic, historical, physical, and political geography. Geographic studies may be based on continents, groups of countries, an individual country, or a region within a country. The criteria for a region may include religion, language, and ethnicity. The spatial pattern of topics may cross political boundaries and connect continents, such as Islam within Africa, Europe, and Asia.

Geography bridges the social and physical sciences by asking questions and seeking answers to those questions through inquiry. In doing so, students apply skills and develop habits of mind that they will be able to use in the diverse societies and workplaces of the community, nation, and the world. Maps, satellite images of Earth, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Geographic Positioning Systems (GPS), and other resources on the world wide web provide valuable information about the spatial patterns on Earth. The tools of modern geography are based on modern technology. The technology is the means to explore the world and inquire about the spatial patterns and dynamic processes that shape the world in which we live.

**MICHIGAN'S CONTENT EXPECTATIONS**

The high school expectations begin with a short set of foundational expectations, and include U. S. Historical Eras 5 - 9, culminating in current policy debates.

**Foundational Issues in United States History and Geography:**

- **ERA 6 -** The Development of an Industrial, Urban, and Global United States, 1870-1930
- **ERA 7 -** The Great Depression and World War II, 1920-1945
- **ERA 8 -** Postwar United States, 1945 -1989
- **ERA 9 -** America in a New Global Age, 1989 to the present

**CONCLUSION**

As Michigan students study United States History and Geography, they will learn about the American experience over time and space. They will encounter powerful and sometimes conflicting ideas while learning about people and events in different places and times. They will investigate our diverse and common traditions, and work to understand the complex interactions among various environmental, human, and social forces that have influenced and continue to influence America and Americans. Studying United States History and Geography connects us to people and events across time and space, illuminating the range and depth of human experience on grand as well as local scales. It involves an analytical study of the nation’s political ideals, as well as times and places where people or events challenged, violated, or expanded those ideals.

This offers Michigan teachers and students both rewards and challenges. We should harbor no illusions about the challenges awaiting teachers and students engaged in such study. Historical and geographic
literacy demands that students learn to read critically; analyze and evaluate arguments; and decide which positions, given the evidence, are more or less plausible, better or worse. While they learn about the facts, events, and significant developments, historical and geographic study asks students to consider what they know, how they know it, and how confidently or tentatively they hold their views.

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- Three World Interactions

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- the original United States Constitution (including the Preamble)
- the Bill of Rights
- the Gettysburg Address
- the 13th, 14th, and 15th Amendments

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USHG ERA 6 – THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN INDUSTRIAL, URBAN, AND GLOBAL UNITED STATES (1870-1930)

6.1 Growth of an Industrial and Urban America

Explain the causes and consequences – both positive and negative – of the Industrial Revolution and America’s growth from a predominantly agricultural, commercial, and rural nation to a more industrial and urban nation between 1870 and 1930.

6.1.1 Factors in the American Second Industrial Revolution – Analyze the factors that enabled the United States to become a major industrial power, including:
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- the economic policies of government and industrial leaders
- the advantages of physical geography
- the increase in labor through immigration and migration
- the growing importance of the automobile industry

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- internal migration, including the Great Migration
- the development of cities divided by race, ethnicity, and
class the resulting tensions among and within groups
• different perspectives about the immigrant experience

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• describing governmental policies promoting economic development
• evaluating the treatment of African Americans, including the rise of segregation in the South as endorsed by the Supreme Court’s decision in Plessy v. Ferguson, and describing the response of African Americans to this inequality
• describing the policies toward indigenous peoples, including removal, reservations, the Dawes Act of 1887, and the response of indigenous peoples to these policies

6.2 Becoming a World Power
Describe and analyze the major changes – both positive and negative – in the role the United States played in world affairs after the Civil War, and explain the causes and consequences of this changing role.
6.2.1 Growth of U.S. Global Power – Describe how America redefined its foreign policy between 1890 and 1914 and analyze the causes and consequences of the United States emergence as an imperial power in this time period, using relevant examples of territorial expansion and involvement in foreign conflicts.
6.2.2 World War I – Explain the causes of World War I, the reasons for American neutrality and eventual entry into the war, and America’s role in shaping the course of the war.
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• the Versailles Treaty
• United States participation in the League of Nations
• the redrawing of European political boundaries and the resulting geopolitical tensions that continued to affect Europe

6.3 Progressive Era
Select and evaluate major public and social issues emerging from the changes in industrial, urban and global America during this period; analyze the solutions or resolutions developed by America and their consequences (positive/negative – anticipated/unanticipated).
6.3.1 Social Issues – Describe the significant problems or issues created by America’s industrial and urban transformations between the 1890s and 1930s.
6.3.2 Political and Social Tensions – Use the core Values and constitutional principles as set forth in the Declaration of
Independence and the United States Constitution to evaluate the post-Civil War political, economic, and social tensions:

- evaluate the political platforms of the Republican and Democratic policies
- evaluate conservative and progressive economic policies
- identify major social tensions and evaluate their impact on political and economic policies

6.3.3 Causes and Consequences of Progressive policies – Analyze the causes, consequences and limitations of progressive policies in the following areas:

- major changes in the Constitution and the role of the Supreme Court in supporting or slowing reform
- the rise of the administrative state
- the role of reform organizations, movements and individuals in promoting change

6.3.4 Conservative policies - Analyze the origins, consequences and limitations of conservative policies in the following areas:

- constitutional restraints
- fiscal restraint

6.3.5 Constitutional Changes - Analyze Amendments 16, 17, 18, and 19 and the movements that led to their ratification in the Progressive Era, including the Women’s Suffrage movement.

**USHG ERA 7 – THE GREAT DEPRESSION AND WORLD WAR II (1920-1945)**

7.1 Growing Crisis of Industrial Capitalism and Responses

Evaluate the key events and decisions surrounding the causes and consequences of the global depression of the 1930s and World War II.

7.1.1 The Twenties – Identify and explain the significance of the struggle between traditional and modernizing trends in the “Roaring Twenties,” including:

- cultural movements, such as the Harlem Renaissance and the Lost Generation
- the struggle between traditional and modern America
- NAACP legal strategy to attack segregation

7.1.2 Causes and Consequences of the Great Depression – Explain and evaluate the multiple causes and consequences of the Great Depression by analyzing:

- the political, economic, environmental, and social causes of the Great Depression, including fiscal policy, overproduction, underconsumption, speculation, the 1929 crash, and the Dust Bowl
- the economic and social toll of the Great Depression, including unemployment and environmental conditions that affected farmers, industrial workers and families
- President Herbert Hoover’s policies and their impact

7.1.3 The New Deal – Explain and evaluate President Franklin Roosevelt’s New Deal policies, including:

- expanding the federal government’s responsibilities to protect the environment, meet challenges of unemployment, address the needs of workers, farmers, the poor, and the elderly
- opposition to the New Deal and the impact of the Supreme
Court in striking down and then accepting New Deal laws
• consequences of New Deal policies

7.2 World War II

Draw conclusions about the causes and the course of World War II, and the effects of the war on United States society and culture, and its role in world affairs.

7.2.1 Causes of World War II – Analyze the factors contributing to World War II in Europe and in the Pacific region, and America’s entry into war, including:
• political and economic disputes over territory
• the differences in the civic and political values of the United States and those of Nazi Germany and Imperial Japan
• United States neutrality
• the bombing of Pearl Harbor

7.2.2 United States and the Course of World War II – Evaluate the role of the U.S. in fighting the war militarily, diplomatically, and technologically across the world.

7.2.3 Impact of World War II on American Life – Analyze the changes in American life brought about by United States participation in World War II, including:
• the mobilization of economic, military, and social resources
• the role of women and minorities in the war effort, including the work of A. Phillip Randolph and the integration of United States military forces
• the role of the home front in supporting the war effort
• the internment of Japanese Americans

7.2.4 Responses to Genocide – Investigate the responses to Hitler’s Final Solution policy by the Allies, the United States government, international organizations, and individuals.

USHG ERA 8 – POST-WORLD WAR II UNITED STATES (1945 -1989)

8.1 Cold War and the United States

Identify and analyze the causes, conditions, and impact of the Cold War Era on the United States.

8.1.1 Origins and Beginnings of the Cold War – Describe the factors that contributed to the Cold War, including:
• differences in the civic, ideological, and political values, and in the economic and governmental institutions, of the United States (U.S.) and the Soviet Union (U.S.S.R.)
• diplomatic and political actions by both the U.S. and U.S.S.R. in the last years of and the years following World War II.

8.1.2 Foreign Policy during the Cold War – Compare the causes and consequences of the setbacks and successes of the American policy of containing the Soviet Union, including:
• the development of a United States national security establishment
• the direct and/or armed conflicts with Communism (for example, but not limited to, Berlin, Korea, Cuba, Vietnam)
• U.S. involvement in Vietnam, and the foreign and domestic consequences of the war
• indirect (or proxy) confrontations within specific world regions
• the arms race

7.2.4 e.g., concentration camp liberation, Nuremberg war crimes tribunals, and actions by individuals such as Oskar Schindler and Irena Sendler.
8.1.3 End of the Cold War – Describe the factors that led to the end of the Cold War.

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Investigate demographic changes, domestic policies, conflicts, and tensions in Post-World War II America.
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8.3 Civil Rights in the Post-World War II Era
Examine and analyze the Civil Rights Movement using key events, people, and organizations.
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   • the impact of World War II and the Cold War
   • responses to Supreme Court decisions and governmental actions, including: Brown v. Board of Education (1954), and the Civil Rights Act (1964)
   • protest movements rights, organizations, and civil actions
8.3.2 Ideals of the Civil Rights Movement – Compare and contrast the ideas in Martin Luther King’s March on Washington speech to the ideas expressed in the Declaration of Independence, the Seneca Falls Resolution, and the Gettysburg Address.
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2. What are the foundations of the American political system?
3. How does the government established by the Constitution embody the purposes, core values, and constitutional principles of American democracy, a Constitutional Republic?
4. What is the relationship of the United States to other nations and to world affairs?
5. What are the roles of citizens in American democracy, a Constitutional Republic?

**Intellectual Skills**
- identifying and describing
- explaining and analyzing
- evaluating, taking and defending positions

**Participatory Skills**
- interacting
- monitoring
- influencing

**Civic Dispositions**
- self-governance
- moral responsibility
- self-discipline
- respect for individual worth
- respect for human dignity
- participating in civic affairs
- promoting democracy

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GENERAL SOCIAL SCIENCE KNOWLEDGE, PROCESSES, AND SKILLS

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P2 Inquiry, Research, and Analysis
P3 Public Discourse and Decision Making
P4 Citizen Involvement

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CIVICS

C1 CONCEPTUAL FOUNDATIONS OF CIVIC AND POLITICAL LIFE

1.1 Nature of Civic Life, Politics, and Government

Explain the meaning of civic life, politics, and government through the investigation of such questions as: What is civic life? What are politics? What is government? What are the purposes of politics and government?

1.1.1 Analyze competing political philosophies (Locke, Hobbes, Montesquieu, Aristotle, Rousseau) about the necessity and purposes of government.

1.2 Alternative Forms of Government

Describe constitutional government and contrast it with other forms of government through the investigation of such questions as: What are essential characteristics of limited and unlimited government? What is constitutional government? What forms can a constitutional government take?

1.2.1 Identify, distinguish among, and provide examples of different forms of governmental structures, by analyzing similarities and differences in sovereignty, power, legitimacy, and authority.

1.2.2 Explain the purposes and uses of constitutions in defining and limiting government, distinguishing between historical and contemporary examples of constitutional governments that failed to limit power and successful constitutional governments.

1.2.3 Compare and contrast parliamentary, federal, confederal, and unitary systems of government, by analyzing similarities and differences in sovereignty, diffusion of power, and institutional structure.

1.2.4 Evaluate different forms of democracies, including constitutional republic, direct, parliamentary, presidential, representative.

C2 ORIGINS AND FOUNDATIONS OF GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

2.1 Origins of American Constitutional Government

Explain the core values and principles of American constitutional government and their philosophical and historical origins through investigation of such questions as: What are the philosophical and historical roots of the core values of American constitutional government? What are the principles of American constitutional government?

2.1.1 Explain the historical and philosophical origins of American constitutional government and evaluate the influence of ideas found in the Magna Carta, English Bill of Rights, Mayflower Compact, Iroquois Confederation, Northwest Ordinance, Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom, Declaration of Independence, Articles of Confederation, and selected Federalist Papers.

2.1.2 Explain the significance of the major debates and compromises underlying the formation and ratification of American constitutional government, including the Virginia and New Jersey Plans, the Great Compromise, debates between Federalists and Anti-Federalists, debates over slavery, and the promise of a Bill of Rights after ratification.

Examples

1.1.1 e.g., Democracy, Republic, Hereditary Rule, Monarchy, Oligarchy, Tyranny, Fascism, Communism, Theocracy, Indigenous Governance; Using Political Philosophers and Real-World Examples Cicero, Aristotle, Plato, Iroquois Federation Locke, Hobbes, Montesquieu, Rousseau, Marx

1.2.1 e.g., Examples include, but are not limited to, anarchy, monarchy, aristocracy, democracy, constitutional republic, fascism, communism, socialism, and theocracy.

1.2.2 e.g., Examples of constitutional governments that failed to limit power include, but are not limited to, Nazi Germany and Stalinist Soviet Union; examples of successful constitutional governments include, but are not limited to, contemporary Germany and United Kingdom.
2.1.3 Explain how the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution, including the Bill of Rights, reflect core values and how those core values became embedded in the Constitution.
2.1.4 Explain challenges and modifications to American constitutional government as a result of significant historical events such as the American Revolution, the Civil War, expansion of suffrage, the Great Depression, and the civil rights movement.

2.2 Core Values and Principles of American Government

Explain how the American idea of constitutional government has shaped a distinctive American society through the investigation of such questions as: How have the core values and principles of American constitutional government shaped American society?
2.2.1 Explain and evaluate how Americans, either through individual or collective actions, use core values and constitutional principles to narrow gaps between American ideals and reality with respect to minorities, women, and the disadvantaged.
2.2.2 Using both abstract and concrete examples, analyze how conflicts may arise from tension between competing interpretations of, and differing priorities of, core values.
2.2.3 Analyze and explain ideas about core values like liberty, justice, and equality found in a range of documents.
2.2.4 Use examples to investigate why people may agree on core values in the abstract, yet disagree over their meaning when they are applied to specific situations.

C3 STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONS OF GOVERNMENT IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

3.1 Structure, Functions, and Enumerated Powers of National Government

Describe how the federal government is organized and what it does through the investigation of such questions as: What is the structure of the federal government? What are the functions of the federal government? What are its enumerated powers?
3.1.1 Analyze the purposes, organization, powers, and processes of the legislative branch as enumerated in Article I of the Constitution.
3.1.2 Analyze the purposes, organization, powers, and processes of the executive branch as enumerated in Article II of the Constitution.
3.1.3 Analyze the purposes, organization, powers, and processes of the judicial branch as enumerated in Article III of the Constitution.
3.1.4 Use case studies or examples to examine tensions between the three branches of government.
3.1.5 Evaluate major sources of revenue and major expenditures of the national government.
3.1.6 Explain why the federal government is one of enumerated powers while state governments are those of reserved powers.
3.1.7 Analyze the ways the United States Constitution may be amended by the federal government or by the states.

3.2 Powers and Limits on Powers

Identify how power and responsibility are distributed, shared, and limited in American constitutional government through the investigation of such questions as: How are power and
responsibility distributed, shared, and limited in the government established by the United States Constitution?

3.2.1 Explain how the constitutional features serve to limit the power of the federal government.

3.2.2 Use historical and contemporary court cases to explain how the Constitution is maintained as the supreme law of the land.

3.2.3 Explain specific provisions in the Constitution, such as enumerated powers, federalism, separation of powers, and checks and balances, that limit the power of the federal government.

3.2.4 Explain the role of the Bill of Rights and each of its amendments in restraining the power of government over individuals.

3.2.5 Analyze the role of subsequent amendments to the Constitution in extending or limiting the power of government, including the Civil War/Reconstruction amendments and those expanding suffrage.

3.3 Structure and Functions of State and Local Governments

Describe how state and local governments are organized and what they do through the investigation of such questions as: What are the structures and functions of state and local government?

3.3.1 Describe the limits the United States Constitution places on powers of the states and on the federal government’s power over the states by analyzing Article IV and the 10th Amendment to the Constitution.

3.3.2 Explain the tension among federal, state, and local governmental power using the necessary and proper clause, the commerce clause, and the Tenth Amendment.

3.3.3 Describe and evaluate the core values and constitutional principles underlying the Michigan Constitution.

3.3.4 Describe and evaluate the mechanisms, such as referendum, initiative, and recall, that citizens can use to monitor and influence state and local government.

3.3.5 Evaluate the major sources of revenue for state and local governments.

3.4 System of Law and Laws

Explain why the rule of law has a central place in American society through the investigation of such questions as: What is the role of law in the American political system?

3.4.1 Explain why the rule of law has a central place in American society and what can happen in the absence or breakdown of the rule of law.

3.4.2 Explain the meaning and importance of equal protection of the law and of the 14th Amendment.

3.4.3 Describe considerations and criteria that have been used to deny, limit, or extend protection of individual rights.

3.4.4 Analyze the various levels and responsibilities of courts in the federal and state judicial system and explain the relationships among them.

3.5 Other Actors in the Policy Process

Describe the roles of political parties, interest groups, the media, and individuals in determining and shaping public policy through the investigation of such questions as: What roles do political parties, interest groups, the media, and individuals play in the development of public policy?
3.5.1 Explain how interest groups, the media, political action committees, voluntary and civic associations, professional organizations, and individuals can influence and determine the public agenda.
3.5.2 Describe the evolution of political parties and their contemporary influence on public policy.
3.5.3 Explain the concept of public opinion, factors that shape it, and contrasting views on the role it should play in public policy.
3.5.4 Explain the significance of campaigns and elections in American politics, current criticisms of campaigns, and proposals for their reform.
3.5.5 Analyze various forms of political communication to help develop an opinion on a public issue, using criteria such as reliability of source, factual accuracy, omission, distorted evidence, and emotional appeals.
3.5.6 Evaluate, take on, and defend positions about the formation and implementation of a current public policy issue, and examine ways to participate in the decision making process about the issue.
3.5.9 In making a decision on a public issue, analyze various forms of political communication using criteria such as logical validity, factual accuracy and/or omission, emotional appeal, distorted evidence, and appeals to bias or prejudice.

C4 THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND WORLD AFFAIRS

4.1 Formation and Implementation of United States Foreign Policy
Describe the formation and implementation of United States foreign policy through such questions as: How is foreign policy formed and implemented in American constitutional government?
4.1.1 Describe the process by which United States foreign policy is made, including the powers the Constitution gives to the president, Congress, and the judiciary; and the roles federal agencies, domestic interest groups, the public, and the media play in foreign policy.
4.1.2 Evaluate the means used to implement United States foreign policy with respect to current or past international issues.

4.2 U.S. Role in International Institutions and Affairs
Identify the roles of the United States in international institutions and affairs through the investigation of such questions as: What is the role of the United States in international institutions and affairs?
4.2.1 Analyze the impact of United States foreign policy on other parts of the world.
4.2.2 Analyze the impact of world events on United States foreign policy.
4.2.3 Distinguish the powers and responsibilities of governmental and non-governmental international organizations (NGOs), and the role of the United States in each.
4.2.4 Evaluate the role of the United States in important bilateral and multilateral agreements.

3.5.9 e.g., political cartoons, campaign advertisements, political speeches, and blogs
4.1.2 e.g., Examples include, but are not limited to, diplomacy, economic, military and humanitarian aid, treaties, sanctions, military intervention, covert action.
4.2.1 e.g., Examples include, but are not limited to, immigration policies, economic, military and humanitarian aid.
4.2.2 e.g., Examples include, but are not limited to, terrorism, emergence of regional organizations, regional conflicts
4.2.3 e.g., Examples include, but are not limited to, the United Nations, NATO, World Court, Organization of American States, International Red Cross, Amnesty International.
4.2.4 e.g., Examples include, but are not limited to, NAFTA, Antarctic Treaty, Kyoto Protocol, NATO.
5.1 The Meaning of Citizenship in the United States of America

Describe the meaning of citizenship in the United States through the investigation of such questions as: What is the meaning of citizenship in the United States? What are the rights, responsibilities, and characteristics of citizenship in the United States?

5.1.1 Using examples, explain the idea and meaning of citizenship in the United States, and the rights and responsibilities of American citizens.

5.2 Becoming a Citizen

Describe how one becomes a citizen in the United States through birth or naturalization by investigating the question: How does one become a citizen in the United States?

5.2.1 Describe and evaluate the criteria and process for admission to citizenship in the United States.

5.2.2 Explain how the United States expanded citizenship over time.

5.3 Rights of Citizenship

Identify the rights of citizenship by investigating the question: What are the personal, political, and economic rights of citizens in the United States?

5.3.1 Identify and explain personal rights, political rights, and economic rights, and how they sometimes conflict.

5.3.2 Describe the rights protected by the First Amendment and, using court cases and examples, explore the limit and scope of First Amendment rights.

5.3.3 Using the Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Amendments, describe the rights of the accused; and using cases and examples, explore the limit and scope of these rights.

5.3.4 Explore attempts to define the scope of the rights guaranteed in the Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Nineteenth, and Twenty-First Amendments and of actions designed to solidify and strengthen them (including the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965) by extending the protection of the right of individual citizens to vote.

5.4 Responsibilities of Citizenship

Identify the responsibilities associated with citizenship in the United States and the importance of those responsibilities in a democratic society through the investigation of questions such as: What are the responsibilities associated with citizenship in the United States? Why are those experiences considered important to the preservation of American constitutional government?

5.4.1 Distinguish between personal and civic responsibilities and describe how they can sometimes conflict with each other.

5.4.2 Identify citizens’ personal and civic responsibilities and explain how they are important to the preservation and improvement of American constitutional REPUBLIC.

5.5 Dispositions of Citizenship

Explain why particular dispositions in citizens are considered important to the preservation of American constitutional government by investigating the question: What dispositions or responsibilities include, but are not limited to, know, respect and obey laws that govern society; participate in political life and public life; stay informed and attentive about public issues; and voting.

5.5.1 e.g., Examples of responsibilities include: freedom of thought, conscience, expression, association, movement and residence, privacy, personal autonomy, due process of law, free exercise of religion, and equal protection of the law. Examples of political rights include: freedom of speech, press, assembly, and petition; the right to vote and run for public office. Examples of economic rights include: to acquire, use, transfer, and dispose of property; to choose one’s work, change employment, join labor unions and professional associations; to establish and operate a business; copyright protection; to enter into lawful contracts; just compensation for the taking of private property for public use.


5.5.3 e.g., Examples of court cases may include, but are not limited to: search and seizure, right to an attorney, due process, double jeopardy, right to speedy trial, right to impartial jury, no cruel or unusual punishment. Court cases include, but are not limited to: Mapp v. Ohio, Katz v. United States, New Jersey v. T. L. O., Riley v. California, Gideon v. Wainwright, Miranda v. Arizona.
character traits are considered important to the preservation of American constitutional government?
5.5.1 Describe the dispositions thought to encourage citizen involvement in public affairs and to facilitate thoughtful and effective participation in public affairs.

C6 CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION

6.1 Civic Inquiry and Public Discourse
Use forms of inquiry and construct reasoned arguments to engage in public discourse around policy and public issues by investigating the question: How can citizens acquire information, solve problems, make decisions, and defend positions about public policy issues?
6.1.1 Address a public issue by suggesting alternative solutions or courses of action, evaluating the consequences of each, and proposing an action to address the issue or resolve the problem.
6.1.2 Locate, analyze, and use various forms of evidence, information, and sources about a significant public policy issue, including primary and secondary sources, legal documents, non-text based information, and other forms of political communication.
6.1.3 Evaluate and analyze the credibility of a source using criteria.
6.1.4 Make a persuasive, reasoned argument on a public issue and support using evidence, such as core values and constitutional principles of the American constitutional republic; explain the stance or position.

6.2 Participating in Civic Life
Describe multiple opportunities for citizens to participate in civic life by investigating the question: How can citizens participate in civic life?
6.2.1 Describe and evaluate the ways individuals can participate in the political process at the local, state, and national levels.
6.2.2 Participate in, and evaluate the results of, a real or simulated election or campaign.
6.2.3 Describe how citizen movements seek to realize core values and principles of American constitutional republic.
6.2.4 Analyze different ways people have used civil disobedience, the different forms civil disobedience might take, and its impact.
6.2.5 Participate in a civic activity such as a service-learning project or a real or simulated public hearing, and reflect on the importance of participating in civic life.
6.2.6 Describe various forms and functions of political leadership and evaluate the characteristics of an effective leader.
6.2.7 Evaluate the claim that a constitutional republic requires the participation of an attentive, knowledgeable, and competent citizenry.

5.4.1 e.g., Examples of civic responsibilities include, but are not limited to, obeying the law, being informed and attentive to public issues, monitoring political leaders and governmental agencies, assuming leadership when appropriate, paying taxes, registering to vote and voting knowledgeably on candidates and issues, serving as a juror, serving in the armed forces, performing public service.
5.5.1 e.g., Examples include, but are not limited to, respect for individual rights, concern for the well-being of others.
6.1.3 e.g., Criteria include, but are not limited to, logical validity, factual accuracy and/or omission, emotional appeal, unstated assumptions, logical fallacies, inconsistencies, distortions, appeals to bias or prejudice, overall strength of argument.
6.1.4 e.g., life, liberty, pursuit of happiness, justice, equality, unalienable rights, consent of the governed, general welfare, right to alter or abolish government, popular sovereignty, limited government rule of law, checks and balances, separation of powers, separation of church and state, federalism
6.2.1 e.g., Examples include, but are not limited to, voting, attending political and governmental meetings, contacting public officials, working in campaigns, community organizing, demonstrating or picketing, boycotting, joining interest groups or political action committees.
Social Studies Process and Skills: High School

P1 READING AND COMMUNICATION – READ AND COMMUNICATE EFFECTIVELY

P1.1 Use appropriate strategies to read and analyze social science tables, graphs, graphics, maps, and texts.

P1.2 Interpret primary and secondary source documents for point of view, context, bias, and frame of reference or perspective.

P1.3 Explain points of agreement and disagreement experts have about the interpretation of sources and the application of disciplinary concepts.

P1.4 Express social science ideas clearly in written, spoken, and graphic forms.

P1.5 Construct and present an argument supported with evidence.

P2 INQUIRY, RESEARCH, AND ANALYSIS

P2.1 Apply methods of inquiry, including asking and answering compelling and supporting questions, to investigate social science problems.

P2.2 Evaluate data presented in social science tables, graphs, graphics, maps, and texts for credibility, considering the origin, authority, structure, and context of the information.

P2.3 Know how to find, organize, evaluate, and interpret information from a variety of credible sources.

P2.4 Use relevant information from multiple credible sources representing a wide range of views, considering the origin, authority, structure, and context, to answer a compelling or supporting question.

P3 PUBLIC DISCOURSE AND DECISION MAKING

P3.1 Clearly state an issue as a question of public policy, gather and interpret information about that issue, analyze various perspectives, and generate and evaluate possible alternative resolutions.

P3.2 Discuss public policy issues, by clarifying positions, considering opposing views, and applying core values or constitutional principles to develop and refine claims.

P3.3 Construct claims and refine counter-claims expressing and justifying decisions on public policy issues.

P3.4 Critique the use of reasoning, sequence, and supporting details in creating a claim and the subsequent evidence used to support a claim for credibility.

P4 CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT

P4.1 Act within the rule of law and hold others to the same standard.

P4.2 Assess options for individual and collective action to advance views on matters of public policy and address local, regional, or global problems.

P4.3 Plan, conduct, and evaluate the effectiveness of activities intended to advance views on matters of public policy and to address local, regional, or global problems.
Understanding economics, – often referred to as economic literacy, – is becoming essential for citizens in our national and increasingly interconnected world economy. Productive members of society must be able to identify, analyze, and evaluate the causes and consequences of individual economic decisions and public policy, including issues raised by constraints imposed by scarcity, how economies and markets work, and the benefits and costs of economic interaction and interdependence. Such literacy includes analysis, reasoning, problem solving, and decision making that helps people function as consumers, producers, savers, investors, and responsible citizens.

Students who meet the expectations will understand how economies function and how to apply the concepts and principles of economics to their lives as individuals and as citizens. Understanding and applying these concepts and principles should help students make sense of daily events and enable them to analyze, investigate, and develop reasoned thinking about economic challenges and public policies. To cite the “Goals 2000: Educate America Act” of 1994, the study of economics (among other subjects) should ensure that students learn to “use their minds well, so they may be prepared for responsible citizenship, further learning, and productive employment in our Nation’s modern economy.”

The economics content is necessary for the understanding and the analysis of a wide variety of applications, including those involving individual and household choices, personal finance issues, business and entrepreneurial decisions, and public policy. Students analyze and study economic concepts and principles in three contextual areas: the individual and household context, a business context, and a government or public context. Their study is focused around four content areas: The Market Economy; The National Economy; the International Economy; and Personal Finance.

Content in The Market Economy includes much of what is traditionally described as microeconomics. The core content focuses on the importance of scarcity and limited resources; the roles of economic institutions, such as legal systems, corporations and labor unions in the market economy; the influence on prices and supplies on the interaction of buyers and sellers; and trade-offs and incentives in people’s behavior.

Content in the National Economy includes much of what is traditionally described as macroeconomics. The National Economy content area includes the concepts, terminology, and data used to identify and describe inflation, unemployment, output, and growth; the factors that cause changes in those conditions; the role of money and interest rates in an economy; and the mechanics and the appropriate uses of Federal Reserve monetary policies and federal government fiscal policies.

Content in International Economy includes the reasons for individuals and businesses to specialize and trade; the rationale for specialization and trade across international borders; and the comparison of the benefits and costs of that specialization and resulting trade for consumers, producers, and governments.

Content in Personal Finance includes the role of economic concepts in understanding personal finance issues and in creating personal finance strategies.
**USING THE ECONOMICS HSCE: THINGS TO REMEMBER**

There are a number of important considerations for teachers to keep in mind as they use these Economics expectations to plan instruction. It is important to remember that he expectation content described in this document:

**USES ECONOMICS THINKING**

All of the expectations require students to think – analyze, synthesize, evaluate, compare, contrast, argue – using economics habits of mind. In meeting the expectations, students will use such thinking to analyze and interpret information in developing their understanding. These expectations are not intended to stress memory over meaning, or coverage over understanding. While knowledge of names and definitions is essential for economics study, high quality teaching and learning demands a great deal more than just the mastery of discrete collections of facts or terms.

**REQUIRES ACTIVE ECONOMIC INQUIRY**

In using economics concepts and habits of mind, students should engage in active, disciplined inquiry, analysis, and argumentation. Learning involves purposeful investigations within a community that has established goals, standards, criteria, and procedures for study. It entails learning how to read, write, and use economics to understand and participate in the world around us. This calls upon students to frame important economic problems and questions; to locate and analyze appropriate evidence and data; and to apply economic concepts and principles to build reasoned and evidenced-based interpretations, arguments, or decisions. In short, economics should provide Michigan students with the kind of reason and informed decision making that will enable them to function effectively both in their personal lives and as citizens and participants in an increasingly connected world economy.

**REPRESENTS CONTENT EXPECTATIONS AND NOT PEDAGOGICAL ORGANIZATION**

This document lists content expectations for students. It does not establish suggested organization for teaching or learning this content. For example, this document is not presenting expectations in a suggested instructional sequence. The expectations do not represent single lessons, a day’s worth of instruction, or even a unit. Michigan teachers and curriculum coordinators can combine expectations to structure meaningful learning experiences for their students. For example, a teacher could use a compelling economic issue or problem to organize weeks of study, while coherently employing many content expectations.

**DIFFERENTIATES BETWEEN REQUIRED AND SUGGESTED CONTENT**

On numerous occasions, the expectations will include examples to help clarify teachable content. These specific examples are suggestions. Educators may use other examples to meet the expectations or to guide instruction and the creation of local curriculum and resources. The examples are not required content but may appear in a prompt of an assessment question; however, the focus of a state summative assessment question will be the language and content of the expectation itself.

**PROCESS AND SKILLS**

The Social Studies Process and Skills for High School are repeated in each of the Course/Credit standards.
The Market Economy
- relevance of limited resources
- how individuals and institutions make and evaluate decisions
- the role of incentives
- how buyers and sellers interact to create markets
- how these markets allocate resources
- the economic role of government in a market economy
- evaluation of short-run and long-run decisions
- the comparison of benefits and costs when making a decision
- the role of entrepreneurs
- concepts – scarcity, choice, opportunity costs, supply and demand, profit, competition, incentives, individual incomes, marginal analysis, markets, market structures, elasticity, property rights, market and government failure

National Economy
- the data that describe the overall conditions in the United States economy
- the factors that cause changes in those conditions
- the role of money and interest rates in an economy
- the mechanics and appropriate use of Federal Reserve monetary and federal government fiscal policies
- how economies use different systems of allocating goods and services and comparison of the benefits and the costs of different methods
- the ways in which governments generate revenue and use it to supply goods and services
- the consequences of tax and spending policies to achieve macroeconomic goals
- concepts – unemployment, inflation, output, economic growth, money, gross domestic product (GDP), interest rates

International Economy
- reasons for individuals and businesses to specialize and trade, and the rationale for specialization and trade across international borders
- comparison of the benefits and costs of specialization and resulting trade for consumers, producers, and governments
- understanding that trade brings additional complications
- benefit and cost comparison of policies that alter trade barriers between nations
- the processes and consequences of exchange rate determination
- concepts – voluntary exchange, specialization, interdependence, comparative advantage, imports and exports, and barriers to trade (tariffs, quotas)

Personal Finance
- concepts: earning income, buying goods and services, saving, using credit, financial investing, protecting and insuring

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Economics Knowledge
- Understand the fundamental constraints imposed by limited resources, the resulting choices people have to make, and the trade-offs they face
- Understand how economies and markets work and how people function within them
- Understand the benefits and costs of economic interaction and interdependence among people and nations

Intellectual Skills
- economic reasoning
- problem solving
- decision making
- analyzing real life situations

Components of Economics Literacy
- The ability to identify, analyze, and evaluate the consequences of individual decisions and public policy
GENERAL SOCIAL SCIENCE KNOWLEDGE, PROCESSES, AND SKILLS

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ECONOMICS SECONDARY CONTENT STATEMENT OUTLINE

E1 – THE MARKET ECONOMY
1.1 Individual and Business Decision Making
1.2 Competitive Markets
1.3 Prices, Supply, and Demand
1.4 Government impact on households and businesses

E2 – THE NATIONAL ECONOMY
2.1 Economic indicators in the economy
2.2 Role of Government in the United States Economy

E3 – INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY
3.1 Economic Systems
3.2 Economic Interdependence – Trade

E4 – PERSONAL FINANCE
4.1 Decision Making
E1 THE MARKET ECONOMY

1.1 Individual, Business, and Decision Making
Explain and demonstrate how individuals confront scarcity, and how market forces influence how they organize, produce, use, and allocate resources in its presence.

1.1.1 Scarcity, Choice, Opportunity Costs, Incentives - Using examples, explain how scarcity, choice, opportunity costs, and incentives affect decisions made by households, businesses, and governments.

1.1.2 Entrepreneurship - Analyze the risks and rewards of entrepreneurship and associate the functions of entrepreneurs with alleviating problems associated with scarcity.

1.1.3 Marginal Benefits and Costs - Weigh marginal benefits and marginal costs in decision making.

1.2 Competitive Markets
Analyze how the functions and constraints of business structures, the role of price in the market, and relationships of investment to productivity and growth impact competitive markets.

1.2.1 Institutions - Describe the roles of various economic institutions and purposes they serve in a market economy.

1.2.2 Market Structures - Identify the characteristics of the various market structures.

1.3 Prices, Supply, and Demand
Compare how supply, demand, price, equilibrium, and elasticity affect the workings of a market.

1.3.1 Supply and Demand - Use the laws of supply and demand to explain household and business behavior.

1.3.2 Price, Equilibrium, Elasticity, and Incentives - Analyze how prices change through the interaction of buyers and sellers in a market including the role of supply, demand, equilibrium, elasticity, and explain how incentives (monetary and non-monetary) affect choices of households and economic organizations.

1.4 Role of Government in the Market
Describe the varied ways in which government impacts households and businesses through policy decisions, regulatory laws, and ordinances. Apply key economic elements to how governments and markets allocate resources differently and explain why these differences matter in terms of growth and prosperity across the mass population.

1.4.1 Public Policy and the Market - Analyze the impact of a change in public policy on consumers, producers, workers, savers, and investors.

1.4.2 Government and Consumers - Analyze the role of government in protecting consumers and enforcing property rights (including contracts), and explain how this role influences the incentives (or disincentives) for people to produce and exchange goods and services.

1.4.3 Government Revenue and Services - Analyze the ways in which local and state governments generate revenue and use that revenue to supply public services.

1.4.4 Market Failure - Explain the role for government in dealing with market failures.
with both negative and positive externalities.

1.4.5 Consequences of Governmental Policy - Assess the incentives for political leaders to implement policies that disperse costs widely over large groups of people and benefit small, and politically powerful groups.

1.4.6 Price Controls – Analyze the impact of government price controls on the quantity of a good or service supplied and demanded in a market.

**E2 THE NATIONAL ECONOMY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

2.1 Understanding National Markets
Explain why inflation, unemployment, output, and growth in potential output matter to consumers and producers. Associate stable money and interest rates with economic prosperity.

2.1.1 Circular Flow and the National Economy – Using the concept of circular flow, analyze the roles of and relationship between households, business firms, and government in the economy of the United States.

2.1.2 Economic Indicators – Using a number of indicators, such as GDP, per capita GDP, unemployment rates, and Consumer Price Index, analyze the current and future state of an economy.

2.2 Role of Government in the United States Economy
Analyze the role of government in the United States economy by identifying macroeconomic goals; comparing perspectives on government roles; analyzing fiscal and monetary policy; assessing the protective role of government; and describing the role of government as a producer and consumer of public goods and services. Analyze how governmental decisions on taxation, spending, protections, and regulation impact macroeconomic goals.

2.2.1 Government Involvement in the Economy – Evaluate the three macroeconomic goals of an economic system (stable prices, low unemployment, and economic growth).

2.2.2 Government Revenue and Services – Evaluate the ways in which governments generate revenue on consumption, income, and wealth, and use that revenue to supply government services and public goods, and protect property rights.

2.2.3 Fiscal Policy and Its Consequences – Analyze the consequences – intended and unintended – of using various tax and spending policies to achieve macroeconomic goals of stable prices, low unemployment, and economic growth.

2.2.4 Federal Reserve and Monetary Policy – Explain the roles and responsibilities of the Federal Reserve System and compare and contrast the consequences – intended and unintended – of different monetary policy actions of the Federal Reserve Board as a means to achieve macroeconomic goals of stable prices, low unemployment, and economic growth.

E.g., subsidies, tariffs, import quotas

2.2.2 e.g., parks and highways, social security, Medicaid, Medicare
E3 THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY

3.1 Economic Systems
Explain how different economic systems – including free market, command, and mixed systems – coordinate and facilitate the exchange, production, distribution, and consumption of goods and services.

3.1.1 Assess how factors such as availability of natural resources, investments in human and physical capital, technical assistance, public attitudes and beliefs, property rights, and free trade can affect economic growth in developing nations.

3.1.2 International Organizations and the World Economy – Evaluate the diverse impact of trade policies of the World Trade Organization, World Bank, or International Monetary Fund on developing economies of Africa, Central America, or Asia, and on the developed economies of the United States and Western Europe.

3.1.3 Comparing Economic Systems – Compare and contrast the extent to which national economies rely on government directives (central planning) and signals (prices) from free markets to allocate scarce goods, services, and productive resources.

3.1.4 Impact of Transitional Economies – Analyze the impact of transitional economies, such as in China and India, on the global economy in general and the American economy in particular.

3.2 Economic Interdependence – Trade
Describe how trade generates economic development and interdependence, and analyze the benefits and costs for individuals, producers, and governments.

3.2.1 Absolute and Comparative Advantage – Use the concepts of absolute and comparative advantage to explain why goods and services are produced in one nation or locale versus another.

3.2.2 Domestic Activity and World Trade – Assess the impact of trade policies, monetary policy, exchange rates, and interest rates on domestic activity and world trade.

3.2.3 Exchange Rates and the World Trade – Analyze the effects on trade of a change in exchange rates between two currencies.

3.2.4 The Global Economy and the Marketplace – Analyze and describe how the global economy has changed the interaction of buyers and sellers.

E4 PERSONAL FINANCE

4.1 Decision Making
Describe and demonstrate how the economic forces of scarcity and opportunity costs impact individual and household choices.

4.1.1 Earning Income – Conduct research regarding potential income and employee benefit packages, non-income factors that may influence career choice, benefits and costs of obtaining the necessary education or technical skills, taxes a person is likely to pay, and other possible sources of income.

4.1.2 Buying Goods and Services – Describe the factors that consumers may consider when purchasing a good or service, including the costs, benefits, and the role of government in obtaining the information.

4.1.3 Saving – Identify the incentives people have to set aside income for future consumption, and evaluate the impact of time,
interest rates, and inflation upon the value of savings.

4.1.4 Using Credit – Evaluate the benefits, costs, and potential impacts of using credit to purchase goods and services.

4.1.5 Financial Investing – Analyze the risks, expected rate of return, tax benefits, impact of inflation, role of government agencies, and importance of diversification when investing in financial assets.

4.1.6 Protecting and Insuring – Assess the financial risk of lost income, assets, health, or identity, and determine if a person should accept the risk exposure, reduce risk, or transfer the risk to others by paying a fee now to avoid the possibility of a larger loss later.

The Personal Finance expectations should be included in high school Economics and other elementary, middle, and high school courses.
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