

Cocalico School District
Year-at-a-Glance - Curriculum Overview

Department: Social Studies

Course: Social Studies

Grade Level: 7

Big Ideas

- Government is the protection or abridgement of balancing rights, liberty, and freedom.
- People with liberty and freedom have a right and a responsibility for maintaining them and securing them for their posterity.
- A government's influence in economic performance impacts the balance of freedom and liberty.
- The tools of economic markets and the functions of government control the full exercise of freedom and liberty.
- Geographic features influence human activities in exercising freedom and liberty.
- People will use physical features, natural resources, and locations to influence their freedom and liberty.
- The study of the past gives information for today to make choices for liberty and freedom.

Units of Study	% of Course Time	Textbooks & Supplemental Materials	Assessments	Standards Addressed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European exploration of the Americas 	10%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>United States History: Beginnings to 1877</i> • YouTube Videos • Brain Pop • Maps • Additional Readings • Primary Sources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project-based assessments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.4.7.A • 7.1.7.A • 6.5.7.D • 5.4.7.A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colonization of North America by Western Europeans 	17%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>United States History: Beginnings to 1877</i> • YouTube Videos • Brain Pop • Maps • Resources from various historical sites • Primary Sources • Supplemental materials to support instruction as selected by course instructors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project-based assessments • Library Research • Quizzes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.1.7.A • 7.1.7.B • 6.4.7.A • 5.1.7.A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American Revolution 	17%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>United States History: Beginnings to 1877</i> • YouTube Videos • Brain Pop • Maps • Resources from various historical sites • Society of the Cincinnati material culture trunks • Declaration of Independence • Gilder Lehrman Hamilton Education Program • Primary Sources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Localized assessment • Project-based assessments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.3.7.B • 7.1.7.B • 6.3.7.C • 5.1.7.D
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Nation: Creating and launching the new American government 	17%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>United States History: Beginnings to 1877</i> • YouTube Videos • Brain Pop • Maps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project-based assessments • Localized assessment • Library research 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.3.7.B • 7.1.7.A • 6.4.7.D • 5.1.7.D

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resources from various historical sites iCivics Articles of Confederation United States Constitution Bill of Rights Gilder Lehrman <i>Hamilton Education Program</i> Primary Sources Supplemental materials as selected by teachers to support instruction 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early Republic: the early years of American government 	17%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>United States History: Beginnings to 1877</i> YouTube Videos Brain Pop Maps Resources from various historical sites Picture books Primary Sources Supplemental materials as selected by teachers to support instruction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project-based assessments Localized assessment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8.3.7.B 7.3.7.A 6.4.7.D 5.3.7.F
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Westward Expansion: Manifest Destiny and the move westward 	17%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>United States History: Beginnings to 1877</i> YouTube Videos Brain Pop Maps Computer games Simulations Primary Sources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project-based assessments Localized assessment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8.3.7.D 7.3.7.A 6.5.7.D 5.4.7.A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current Events 	5%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student-gearred news outlets Newspapers News magazines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project-based assessments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8.1.7.A 7.1.7.A 6.1.7.D 5.3.7.H



Eagle P.A.C.T. Course Connections:

7th Grade Social Studies inspires students to use problem solving skills to communicate and evaluate historical facts and data through collaboration in order to better understand our nation and our adapting roles as citizens of the United States.