

GRADE 8 CURRICULUM MAP

Social Studies

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Essential Questions	What is the impact of geography on U.S. history?	How did human migration affect the development of N. America? (with emphasis on the U.S.)	How did European culture impact colonial life in the Americas? (rivalry)	What experiment led to an independent American identity?	What Revolutionary War experiences influenced the creation of self-government?	What are the fundamental ideals of government found in the Constitution?	How did the political culture of the early U.S. affect the development of national growth?	Describe the geographic, political, and social movements of the U.S. in the pre-Civil War years.	Describe the events leading to the sectional divisions of the U.S.	Why is the Civil War considered the crossroads of American history? How did Americans cope with Reconstruction?
Content	Geography (ISTEP)	Foundations of American History (ISTEP)	European colonization and colonial life in America	Emergence of independence	Revolution and the road to self-government	Constitution during the early Republic era	Development of national identity through the Jacksonian Era	Expanding nation (Manifest Destiny) through social reform	Nation breaking apart through the Civil War	Civil War through Reconstruction
Standards/ Skills	8.3.1, 8.3.2, 8.3.3, 8.3.4, 8.3.5, 8.3.6, 8.3.7, 8.3.9, 8.3.10, 8.3.11	8.1.1, 8.1.2, 8.4.1	8.1.1, 8.4.1, 8.4.2, 8.3.6, 8.3.10, 8.1.18, 8.3.7	8.5.1, 8.1.3, 8.1.4	8.1.3, 8.1.4, 8.1.5, 8.1.11, 8.1.15, 8.1.16, 8.1.7, 8.2.1	8.1.5, 8.1.6, 8.1.7, 8.1.8, 8.1.9, 8.1.11, 8.1.12, 8.1.13, 8.1.15, 8.1.20, 8.2.1, 8.2.11, 8.2.12	8.1.14, 8.1.15, 8.1.16, 8.1.17, 8.1.18, 8.1.20, 8.1.21, 8.4.8	8.1.15, 8.1.18, 8.1.19, 8.1.25, 8.5.1, 8.5.2, 8.5.5, 8.5.7, 8.5.8	8.1.21, 8.1.22, 8.1.25	8.1.22, 8.1.23, 8.1.25, 8.5.4
Products/ Assessments	Map, Almanac, Atlas	Group project. Create diagram, pictograph.	Note taking, poster, art (interpret)	Notes, poster, speech	Notes, cartoons, maps	Notes, outlines, handbook (Constitution) presentations	Project, maps, graphs	Maps, projects, narratives, internet	Notes, projects, technology	Notes, graphs/charts, letter writing, maps