

6th Grade Social Studies – World History:

Students will learn about ancient cultures and civilizations. They will also learn about map skills. They will focus on the five themes of geography: location, place, humanenvironment interaction, movement, and region. The following is a list of specific topics:

- Map Skills and Background Information
- Uncovering the Past
- The Stone Ages and Early Cultures
- Mesopotamia & the Fertile Crescent
- Egypt and Kush
- Ancient Greece and The Greek World
- The Roman Republic and Christianity
- The Islamic World
- Early Americas
- Early and Later Middle Ages
- Renaissance and Reformation
- Enlightenment and Revolution

7th Grade Social Studies -- American Studies from Beginnings to 1877

Grade 7 American Social Studies focuses on the development of our glorious nation. We begin with the geography of North and South America and progress in our study through the Reconstruction of the South. We emphasize vocabulary, economics, government, and the themes of geography. The following is our course, theme by theme:

- The World before the Opening of the Atlantic
- New Empires in the Americas
- The English Colonies
- The American Revolution
- Forming a Government
- Citizenship and the Constitution
- Launching the Nation
- Jefferson's Era
- American Culture Emerges
- Age of Jackson
- Expanding West
- The North - Industrial Revolution
- The South -Cotton Kingdom
- New Movements in America
- Our Nation Divides
- Civil War
- Reconstruction

8th Grade Social Studies – American History Part 2

The 8th Grade Social Studies class will cover the second half of American History from the Civil War on to the present day. During this time the United States faces many hardships and difficulties through economic issues, conflicts and wars; however, through these difficult times, our nation has proven its strength not only to its own people but also to the whole world. The 20th century is a time in which the United States becomes a strong and stable nation while at the same time becoming a global power and influence throughout the world. It is important that our students study and understand this history to not only be good students but to also grow into good and responsible citizens. Alongside this history, students will also be expected to study and stay on top of current events in which modern history is continually unfolding. As well, as members of a Catholic and Marianist school, students have the unique opportunity to gain Catholic perspective and insight on the events of American History. The topics covered during this year are:

- Pre Civil War
- Civil War
- Reconstruction
- The West
- Development of Urban Society
- Progressive Era
- World War 1
- Great Depression
- World War 2