

Instructional Materials Adoption

2016-2017: The Year of Social Studies

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Public Input

School Board Policy

Uninformed Public
Perceptions

Membership on Committees



Standards

NGSSS adopted 2008, fully implemented in 2012

Major changes in curriculum:

- Split US history into a MS and HS Course
- Split World history into a MS and a HS Course

Dropped MS geography courses and added Civics

United States History

Middle School:

Early Colonial
Settlement to Civil War
and Reconstruction

High School: Civil War to 2012

High School EOC: 30 % of Grade

World History

Middle School:

Ancient World up to
fall of Roman Empire in
Western Europe * sort of

High School:

Byzantines to present day



History of Religion

Major Religions of World
Judaism, Hinduism,
Buddhism, and
Christianity covered in
Middle School “Ancient
World”

Foundation of Islam (600
AD)



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End of Course Assessments

Civics and US History(HS)

Assessment is used in calculation of school grade and counts 30% of student's grade

Item Specifications for tests released after last adoption

Economics with Financial Literacy

Since last adoption
legislation has added a
financial literacy
graduation requirement

This added 56 benchmarks to the course
description for a total of 109 in the semester
long Economics course.

We will be looking for a balanced approach
with financial literacy incorporated into the
instructional materials and not just tacked on
at the end.

Middle School Progression

2012

6th grade- World History

7th grade- Civics

8th grade- US History

Movement amongst districts
to place US History before
Civics

6th- World History

7th- U.S. History

8th- Civics

What do we do with the GAP YEARS in
this transition?

6th- U.S. History

7th- Civics

8th- World History

Digital Learning

IT department's increased involvement

Emphasis on interactive materials

Access for coaches, co-teachers, and administration to online materials
