Emmaus Lutheran School

Social Studies and History Curriculum

# Rationale based on Scripture

God is the Creator of all things, including social studies and history. Our school is committed to providing students with a quality education in social studies and history so they can function effectively as Christians in their church, community, and country. A quality education in social studies and history will help students succeed in high school, in the work place, and help them witness to friends, neighbors, and co-workers about our Savior.

# Exit goals for graduation

Students will demonstrate proficiency, understanding, and/or commitment to the following set of exit goals upon graduation. The level of proficiency of these exit goals will be dependent upon the individual gifts and effort of the student and at what grade the student started attending Emmaus.

* Demonstrate a positive attitude toward social studies and history
* Observance of God’s hand throughout history
* Basic understanding of different cultures in the world
* Knowledge of our country’s history from discover through World War II
* Knowledge of Arizona state history
* Basic understanding of our government and how it operates
* Knowledge of geographical terms
* Able to identify US states and capitals and countries and capitals around the world

# Grade specific themes

At the end of each school year, students will demonstrate proficiency, understanding, and/or commitment to the following set of grade specific measureable objectives in these classifications: knowledge, skills, and attitudes.

## Kindergarten, First, and Second

1. Family
   1. Home
   2. School
2. Maps
   1. Home
   2. City
   3. State
   4. Country
   5. World
3. Community
4. Fire Safety
5. Transportation
6. Early America
   1. Explorers
   2. Pilgrims
   3. Colonial America
   4. Revolutionary War
   5. A New Country
   6. Pioneers
   7. Oregon Trail
   8. Divided Country
   9. Civil War
7. Our Country
   1. Symbols
   2. Special Places
8. Famous Americans
   1. Christopher Columbus
   2. Squanto
   3. Paul Revere
   4. George Washington
   5. Abraham Lincoln
   6. Thomas Jefferson
   7. Thomas Edison
   8. Albert Einstein
   9. Rosa Parks
   10. Helen Keller
9. Holidays
   1. Columbus Day
   2. Thanksgiving
   3. Christmas
   4. Easter
   5. Presidents’ Day
   6. Election Day

## Third – Fourth

* Our Country’s Geography
  + The World in Spatial Terms
  + Our Country’s landmarks
  + Our Country’s regions
    - Land and Water
    - Natural Resources
    - Landmarks
    - Food and Culture
  + States and Capitals
  + Map Skills
* Native Peoples of North America
  + Ancient Cultures
  + Native Americans of the Southwest
  + Native Americans of the Pacific Northwest
  + Native Americans of the Great Plains
  + Native Americans of the Eastern Woodlands
* The Age of Exploration
  + A Changing World
  + Spanish Exploration and Conquest
  + French and Dutch Exploration
* Colonial America
  + Early Settlements
  + Settling New England
  + Settling the Middle Colonies
  + Settling the Southern Colonies
  + Life in the Colonies
  + Slavery and the Triangular Trade
* The American Revolution
  + The Road to Revolution
  + The Revolution Begins
  + Fighting the War
  + A Nation is Born
* Founding a Nation
  + Struggles of a New Nation
  + Writing the Constitution
  + Protecting and Expanding Rights
  + Our Economy
* Slavery and Emancipation
  + King Cotton and the Spread of Slavery
  + Heading Toward War
  + The War
* Reconstruction
  + Rebuilding the South
  + Life During Reconstruction
  + Reconstruction Ends
  + The Changing Middle West
* A Nation Grows
  + Settling West
  + Conflicts on the Plains
  + Growing Cities
  + A Changing Society
  + Progressive Politics
* A New Century
  + New States and Territories
  + World War I
  + The Roaring Twenties
  + Hard Times
* World War II and the Early Cold War
  + World War II Begins
  + The Home Front
  + The Road to Victory
  + After the War
  + The Cold War Begins
  + Life in the 1950s
* The Modern Era
  + The Civil Rights Movement
  + The Decade of Change
  + The Century Ends
  + Modern Conflicts
  + Government and Economy Today
  + Technology Today
* Arizona state history
  + The Beginnings of Arizona
  + Arizona Climate
  + Arizona Economy
  + Arizona Landforms
  + Arizona Government

## Fifth – Sixth

## World History (Even Years)

* Ancient Egypt
  + Geography of Ancient Egypt
  + Land of the Pharaohs
  + Ancient Egyptian Civilization
  + Using Maps of Different Scales
  + Daily Life in Ancient Egypt
* Ancient Mesopotamia
  + Geography of the Fertile Crescent
  + Sumer and Babylon
  + The Beginnings of Judaism
  + The Wheel
* Ancient China
  + Geography of China
  + The First Dynasty
  + The Emperor’s Clay Army
  + Confucius Changes China
  + The Silk Road
  + The Forbidden City
* Ancient Greece
  + Geography of Ancient Greece
  + The Rise of Greek Cities
  + The Olympics
  + Athens’ Age of Glory
  + The Greek Empire
  + Alexander the Great
* Ancient Rome
  + Geography of Ancient Rome
  + Reading Elevation Maps
  + The Rise of the Roman Republic
  + The Roman Empire
  + Domes and Arches
  + Beginnings of Christianity
  + The Decline of the Roman Empire
* Medieval Europe
  + Geography of Europe
  + The Middle Ages
  + The Church in the Middle Ages
  + The Renaissance
  + The Reformation
* Empires and Cultures of Asia
  + Geography of Asia
  + The Ottomans
  + India Under the Moguls
  + The Khmer of Southeast Asia
  + Great Empires of China
  + Feudal Japan
  + Printing and Calligraphy

## US History (Odd Years)

* Early People of the Western Hemisphere
  + The Maya
  + The Aztec
  + Reading Time Lines
  + The Anasazi
* Native Americans of North America
  + Native Americans of the West
  + Native Americans of the Southwest
  + Native Americans of the Plains
  + Native Americans of the Eastern Woodlands
  + Identifying Cause and Effect
* Early European Settlements of North America
  + Early European Settlements
  + The Search for the Northwest Passage
  + The Jamestown Colony
  + The Plymouth Colony
  + Thanksgiving
* The English Establish the 13 Colonies
  + The New England Colonies
  + The Middle Colonies
  + The Southern Colonies
  + Reading Elevation and Relief Maps
* Life in the 13 Colonies
  + Why They Came
  + The Colonial Economy
  + Slavery in the Colonies
  + Reading Climographs
  + The Colonial Way of Life
* The Struggle for North America
  + Spanish Missions
  + The French in North America
  + The French and Indian War
* Breaking Ties with Great Britain
  + The Road to Self-Government
  + The 13 Colonies Rebel
  + Reading Political Cartoons
  + The Revolution Begins
* The American Revolution
  + The Declaration of Independence
  + The Continental Army
  + 1776: What Did Colonists Think About Separating from Great Britain?
  + Independence at Last

## Seventh – Eighth

* United States Government
  + History of the US Government
    - Section vocabulary
    - Review of US Government from 1607-1790
    - Representative Democracy
    - Three Branches of Government
    - Declaration of Independence
    - Mayflower Compact
    - Magna Carta
    - Constitution
  + Declaration of Independence
    - Section vocabulary
    - Why the declaration was written
    - King George III
    - Continental Congress
  + The Constitution – Article I
    - Section vocabulary
    - Articles I-VII
    - Information about and requirements of a representative
    - Legislative Branch
    - How a bill becomes a law
    - Congressional Powers
    - Information about and requirements of a senator
  + Article II
    - Section vocabulary
    - Executive branch
    - Information about and requirements of the president
    - Presidential powers and responsibilities
    - Electing a president
  + Articles III – VII
    - Section vocabulary
    - Judicial branch
    - Judicial Powers and Jurisdiction
    - Amending the Constitution
    - Supreme Court
    - The Federal Judicial System
  + Bill of Rights – Amendments 1-10
    - Section vocabulary
    - The Bill of Rights – Amendments 1-10
  + Amendments 11-27
    - Section vocabulary
    - Key information about amendments
    - Important dates of amendments
* Civil War
  + Pre-War
    - Read student guide to orient and be introduced to scope and general pattern
  + 1861 – The War Begins
    - Section vocabulary
    - War dispatches
    - Soldier Interview
    - Flourish Activity: Marching and Drilling
    - Battle Jeopardy
  + 1862 – Confederate High Tide
    - Section vocabulary
    - War dispatches
    - Soldier Interview
    - Flourish Activity: Baseball
    - Battle Jeopardy
  + 1863 – The Turning Point
    - Section vocabulary
    - War dispatches
    - Soldier Interview
    - Seeing the Elephant speech contest
    - Flourish Activity: photography, music, poetry, drawing, and painting
    - Battle Jeopardy
  + 1864 – More Bloody Days
    - Section vocabulary
    - War dispatches
    - Soldier Interview
    - Civil War Roundtable
    - Flourish Activity: Field Hospital Simulation
    - Flourish Activity: Letters Home
    - Battle Jeopardy
  + 1865 – Striking the Tents
    - Section vocabulary
    - War dispatches
    - Soldier Interview
    - Grant and Lee: On the Hot Seat
    - Civil War Round Table
    - A Civil War Reunion
    - Battle Jeopardy
  + Reconstruction
* World War I
  + Troubles in Europe
    - Section vocabulary
    - Balkan Peninsula hotbed
    - Greece, Albania, Romania, and Bulgaria argument
    - Slavs want independence
  + An Assassination Leads to War
    - Section vocabulary
    - Archduke Franz Ferdinand
    - Black Hand
    - Main causes of WWI
  + A World War Begins
    - Section vocabulary
    - Allied and Central Powers
    - Alliances
    - Militarism
  + America’s Neutrality
    - Section vocabulary
    - Immigrants
    - Allies
    - Propaganda
    - U-boats
    - Lusitania
  + America Joins the Allies
    - Section vocabulary
    - Treaty of Bret-Litovsk
    - American Expeditionary Force (AEF)
    - Woodrow Wilson
  + The War at Home
    - Section vocabulary
    - War bonds
    - Mobilizing support
    - African American Migration
    - Controlling public opinion
  + Searching for Peace
    - Section vocabulary
    - Woodrow Wilson’s Fourteen Points
    - League of Nations
    - The Treaty Versailles
* World War II
  + Road to War
    - Section vocabulary
    - Rise of dictators in Germany, Italy, and Japan
    - Soviet Union
    - American Neutrality
  + War Begins
    - Section vocabulary
    - War in Europe
    - The Battle in Britain
    - 1939 Neutrality Act
    - The 1940 Election
    - US Involvement Grows
    - The Atlantic Charter
  + On the Home Front
    - Section vocabulary
    - Attack on Pearl Harbor
    - National War Labor Board
    - Financing the War
    - Women and Minorities
    - The Holocaust
  + War in Europe and Africa
    - Section vocabulary
    - Holocaust
    - D-day invasion
  + War in the Pacific
    - Section vocabulary
    - Battle of Midway
    - Iwo Jima and Okinawa
    - Albert Einstein
    - Manhattan Project
    - Hiroshima and Nagasaki
    - V-J Day
* Geography
  + North America
    - The United States
      * A Vast, Scenic Land
      * An Economic Leader
      * The Americans
    - Canada
      * Landforms of the North
      * A Resource-Rich Country
      * The Canadians
    - Mexico
      * Land and Economy
      * History and Government
      * Mexico Today
    - Central America and the West Indies
      * Central America
      * The West Indies
  + South America
    - Brazil and Its Neighbors
      * Brazil
      * Argentina
      * Caribbean South America
      * Uruguay and Paraguay
    - The Andean Countries
      * Columbia
      * Peru and Ecuador
      * Bolivia and Chile
  + Europe
    - Western Europe
      * The United Kingdom
      * The Republic of Ireland
      * France
      * Germany, Switzerland, and Austria
      * The Benelux Countries
    - Southern Europe
      * Spain and Portugal
      * Italy
      * Greece
    - Northern Europe
      * Norway, Sweden, and Finland
      * Denmark and Iceland
    - Eastern Europe
      * Poland
      * The Baltic Republics
      * Hungary, the Czech Republic, and Slovakia
      * The Balkan Countries
      * Ukraine, Belarus, and Moldova
  + Africa
    - North Africa
      * Egypt
      * Libya and the Maghreb
    - West Africa
      * Nigeria
      * The Sahel Countries
      * Coastal Countries
    - Central Africa
      * Democratic Republic of the Congo
      * Other Countries of Central Africa
    - East Africa
      * Kenya
      * Tanzania
      * Inland East Africa
      * The Horn of Africa
    - South Africa and Its Neighbors
      * Republic of South Africa
      * Atlantic Countries
      * Inland Southern Africa
      * Indian Ocean Countries
  + Asia
    - Southwest Asia
      * Turkey
      * Israel
      * Syria, Lebanon, and Jordan
      * The Arabian Peninsula
      * Iraq, Iran, and Afghanistan
    - The Caucasus and Central Asia
      * Republics of the Caucasus
      * Central Asian Republics
  + Australia and Antarctica
    - Australia and New Zealand
      * Australia
      * New Zealand
    - Oceania and Antarctica
      * Oceania
      * Antarctica

# **Evidence of continuity from grade to grade**

The curriculum is constructed using skill-based measurable objectives so that the knowledge, attitudes, and skills learned in each grade form building blocks for what is taught in the succeeding grades.

# **Assessment of the academic growth and achievement of each student**

Each individual teacher will assess the academic growth of their students on a regular basis.