



Curriculum Blueprint

8th Grade US History

1 st 6 Weeks	2 nd 6 Weeks	3 rd 6 Weeks	4 th 6 Weeks	5 th 6 Weeks	6 th 6 Weeks
<p>Era of Exploration and Colonization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reasons for Founding the 13 Colonies Geographic Influences on the Colonies Foundations of Representative Govt. 	<p>American Revolution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Road to Revolution Declaring Independence The Revolutionary War 	<p>Constitution & Bill of Rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need for Stronger Govt. Constitutional Convention Constitution and Bill of Rights 	<p>Constitution & Bill of Rights <i>(continued)</i></p> <p>The Young Nation: American Republic the Early Years 1789-1860</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st five Presidents Hamilton's financial plan Political parties 	<p>The Age of Jackson</p> <p>Manifest Destiny</p> <p>19th Century Movements:</p> <p>The Reform Era</p> <p>Division of the Nation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jackson's presidency Manifest Destiny Westward Expansion Reform Movements 	<p>The Civil War and Reconstruction 1861-1877</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Causes of the Civil War Civil War Events and Leaders Reconstruction

Social Studies Skills (TEKS, 8.29, 8.30, 8.31)

- The student applies critical-thinking skills to organize and use information acquired through established research methodologies from a variety of valid sources, including technology.
- The student communicates in written, oral, and visual forms.
- The student uses problem-solving and decision-making skills, working independently and with others

Grading Scale: Major Grades = 60%

Quizzes = 20%

Daily Grades = 20%