



STAFFORD MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Year at a Glance

Social Studies – Grade 6

Course Description:

In **Grade 6**, students study people, places, and societies of the contemporary world. Societies for study are from the following regions of the world: Europe, Russia and the Eurasian republics, North America, Central America and the Caribbean, South America, Southwest Asia-North Africa, Sub-Saharan Africa, South Asia, East Asia, Southeast Asia, Australia, and the Pacific realm. Students describe the influence of individuals and groups on historical and contemporary events in those societies and identify the locations and geographic characteristics of various societies. Students identify different ways of organizing economic and governmental systems. The concepts of limited and unlimited government are introduced, and students describe the nature of citizenship in various societies. Students compare institutions common to all societies such as government, education, and religious institutions. Students explain how the level of technology affects the development of the various societies and identify different points of view about events. The concept of frame of reference is introduced as an influence on an individual's point of view.

| Grading Periods | Unit Names |
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| Grading Period 1 | <i>Unit 1: The World's Geographic Patterns</i> <i>Unit 2: The United States and Canada</i> |
| Grading Period 2 | <i>Unit 2: The United States and Canada, cont.</i> <i>Unit 3: Latin America</i> |
| Grading Period 3 | <i>Unit 3: Latin America, cont.</i> <i>Unit 4: Europe</i> |
| Grading Period 4 | <i>Unit 5: Russia and the Eurasian Republics</i> <i>Unit 6: Southwest Asia/North Africa</i> |
| Grading Period 5 | <i>Unit 7: Sub-Saharan Africa</i> <i>Unit 8: South Asia</i> |
| Grading Period 6 | <i>Unit 9: East and Southeast Asia</i> <i>Unit 10: Pacific Realm</i> |