

Course/Grade Level: Law, Citizenship, and Society
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Days	Unit	Standard(s)/Outcome(s)	Essential/Guiding Questions
6	Unit 1: Introduction to Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the purposes of the law • Distinguish between the various types of law such as common law, administrative, and statutory • Identify statutes and examples of criminal v. civil law • Explain the purpose of the U.S. legal system • Explain the United States' dual court system and how it is organized 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why do we have laws? • How have laws changed from ancient to modern days? • What is justice? • Why are there different interpretations of the law?
9	Unit 2: Rights of the Accused	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyze how the rights of the accused and the rights of society are balanced in terms of various due process rights including search and seizure • Analyze how the dual court system affects the rights of the individual • Apply search and seizure rules and expectations to current cases • Analyze how the “war on terrorism” has presented a legal battle between safeguarding Americans and protecting individual rights 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How does the criminal justice system balance the need to hold people accountable for their actions with the need to protect the constitutional rights of the accused? • How might technological advances in crime fighting affect the constitutional rights of citizens?
12	Unit 3: Criminal Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain how crimes are defined and classified • Analyze how these classifications have changed over time such as felonies and misdemeanors • Analyze how the adversarial judicial system affects individual rights and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How has crime been defined in different times and places? • What are the classifications of crime? • What role does the United States' adversarial judicial system have in protecting rights? • How is due process addressed by judicial

		<p>judicial proceedings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain how judicial proceedings (bail/right to an attorney) were designed to protect due process • Evaluate how changes in judicial proceeding such as plea bargaining, the use of expert testimony affect the court's ability to balance rights and order 	<p>procedures?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How might the courts' efforts to be efficient affect due process and its ability to address crime?
8	Unit 4: Civil Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Differentiate the steps of a civil suit v. a criminal suit • Explain how civil litigation has become part of the judicial system • Describe how the civil justice system allows for the protection of citizens 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How does the civil system hold people and corporations accountable for their actions? • How does civil law compare with criminal law? • What is the role of civil litigation and liability in the United States?
6	Unit 5: Role of the Police	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe the role of law enforcement in society • Analyze changes in the roles and responsibilities of law enforcement • Evaluate how technology affects law enforcement's work • Explain how law enforcement prevents, responds to, and investigates crime • Evaluate the challenges law enforcement encounters as they protect the community while respecting individual rights including interrogation methods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How has the role of law enforcement changed over time? • How does law enforcement prevent, respond to, and investigate crime?
4	Unit 6: Corrections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain how the judicial system reflects the will of the citizens through crimes and punishments established through laws • Explain the purposes behind the American penal system • Critically analyze theories of punishment, sentencing laws and guidelines, incarceration rates, and the purpose and goals of correctional facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can prisons be used to protect as well as oppress individual groups in society? • What is the role of the correctional system when responding to persons being convicted of breaking the law? • How does the current prison system contribute to an increase of poverty and crime?

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