

KINDERGARTEN SOCIAL STUDIES

Essential Skills

The priority standards consist of the following skills:

- **Geographic Literacy:** Application of spatial understanding and landscape interpretation using globes, maps, and photographs.
- **Historical Thinking:** Demonstration of historical thinking practices including change and continuity over time, cause and effect relationships, interpretation of primary and secondary sources, and significance of historical events and figures.
- **Civic Mindedness:** Understanding of civic roles, rights, and responsibilities at various levels: the individual, group, government, and global.
- **Economic Understanding:** Knowledge of economic concepts and elements of financial literacy.

Content

Develop a sense of self in relation to family and classroom.

- a. Recognize and describe how individuals and families are both similar and different. (Historical Thinking)
- b. Recognize the roles and responsibilities of being a good citizen. (Civic Mindedness)
- c. Use geographic terms and tools. (Geographic Literacy)
- d. Explain how humans meet their needs in many ways. (Economic Understanding)

