



The social studies standards in the elementary years begin with individuals and families and move from there to explorations of neighborhoods, communities, the state of Colorado, and the United States. In each grade, students investigate historical events, examine geographic features and resources, consider economic decision-making processes, and define civic roles and responsibilities.

Expectations for Preschool Students:

- Recognize change and sequence over time.
- Develop a spatial understanding of the world around them.
- Understand that individuals have many wants and have to make choices.
- Understand one's relationship to the family and community.

Throughout Preschool You May Find Students:

- Differentiating between past, present, and future; identifying family or personal events that happened in the past.
- Identifying aspects of the environment such as roads, buildings, trees, gardens, bodies of water, and land formations.
- Explaining how people make money and use that money to make choices among their various wants.
- Discussing similarities and respective differences among people within their classroom and community.