

**Proposed/Planned Curriculum**

**Sandridge SD 172**

**JHS Social Sciences (Integrated Social Sciences w/ emphasis of Inquiry Based Learning and Original Document/Artifact Analysis)**

**Eighth Grade**

**First Quarter**

**Unit 1: Manifest Destiny and Nation Building (September through October)**

Main Topics: Territorial Acquisitions  
American Geography  
Conflicts with Native Cultures/Reservations/Genocide  
Slavery and Abolition  
Sectionalism and Nationalism  
Industrial, Communication and Transportation Revolutions to 1920  
Pioneers/Settlers and Settlement  
Immigration and Diversity

Major Assessments: Indiv Timeline of Native Conflicts  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 7, 10  
Indiv Infographic of Revolutions in Com, Trans and Indus  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10  
Group Presentation of a Territorial Acquisition  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 10  
Indiv Slave Narrative Reflection  
CCSS RH 6-8 1, 2, 6, 8, 9, 10  
Indiv Physical/Political Map of the US  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 7, 9, 10

**Note:** September 15 - October 15 is **National Hispanic Heritage Month**.

The students select, as a whole JHS how to mark the occasion and what to make to depict the history and struggles and triumphs. In the past, we have made "Halls of Fame", Giant Timelines and other similar visual artifacts for the school to enjoy.

Main Topics: Race in America  
Exclusion and Forced Deportation,  
Latino/Hispanic Cultural History  
Equal Rights/Civil Rights

Major Assessment: An as yet undecided large, student designed and led, visual displays celebrating of Latino History  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

## **Second Quarter**

### **Unit 2: War and Warfare 1 (November)**

Main Topics: War of 1812 Tactics, Strategies, Causes, Effects, Warfare  
Native Wars Review in Context Tactics, Strategies, Causes, Effects, Warfare  
Mexican War Tactics, Strategies, Causes, Effects, Warfare  
Civil War Tactics, Strategies, Causes, Effects, Warfare  
Spanish War Tactics, Strategies, Causes, Effects, Warfare  
WWI Tactics, Strategies, Causes, Effects, Warfare

Major Assessments: Indiv Annotated Map of the Civil War  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 7, 9, 10  
Indiv Annotated Map of America's Conflicts 1774-1919  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 7, 9, 10  
Indiv WWI Propaganda Poster (WWI) Presentation  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10  
Group Poster and Presentation Honoring the Veterans of Select Conflict  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

### **Unit 3: Genocide (December through February)**

Main Topics: Stages of Genocide  
Types of Genocide  
Revolutions and Genocide  
Wars and Genocide  
Select Genocide Case Studies:  
Armenian  
Native American  
Slave Trade  
Holocaust  
Holodomor  
Parajmos  
Sudan  
Rwanda  
Cambodia  
Yugoslavia/Ethnic Cleansing  
Chinese Genocides

Major Assessments: Indiv Timeline of Genocides  
CSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 7, 10  
Indiv Stages of Genocide Infographic  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10  
Whole Class Very Large Map of Genocides  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 7, 9, 10  
Group Memorial Project - Build/Present a Memorial to a select Genocide  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10  
Indiv Ethos, Pathos and Logos Five Paragraph Reflection on Genocide  
CCSS RH 6-8 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10

### **Third Quarter**

#### **Unit 3: Social History (Incl Leadership of the JHS Projects) (February through March)**

Main Topics: Black History  
Gender History  
Labor History  
Immigration History

Major Assessments: Indiv 4 Bar Timeline of Rights Movements, Labor Reform  
CSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 3, 7, 10  
Group Design, Leadership, Stewardship and Installation of Projects  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

**Note:** February and March are **Black History Month and Women's History Month**. The students select, as a whole JHS how to mark the occasion and what to make to depict the history and struggles and triumphs. In the past, we have made "Halls of Fame", Giant Timelines and other similar visual artifacts for the school to enjoy.

Main Topics: Race in America  
Slavery, Racism, Segregation and Discrimination  
Black Cultural History  
Gender in America  
Sexism, Patriarchy and Objectification/Harassment  
Women's History  
Equal Rights/Civil Rights

Major Assessment: An as yet undecided large, student designed and led visual displays celebrating of Back History, Women's History  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

#### **Unit 4: Chicago History (February through May)**

Main Topics: Chicago Before the Fire  
Chicago Diversity  
Chicago Historic Neighborhoods  
Chicago Architecture  
The Burnham Plan  
Chicago in a National Context

Major Assessments: Group Present a Neighborhood / Slideshow  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10  
Indiv Timeline of Chicago History  
CSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 7, 10  
Group Annotated Map of Chicago History, Scale, Hand Drawn  
CSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 7, 9, 10  
Indv Chart/Infographic of Chicago Diversity  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

## **Fourth Quarter**

### **Unit 5: War and Warfare 2 (April)**

Main Topics: WWII Tactics, Strategies, Causes, Effects, Warfare  
Korean Tactics, Strategies, Causes, Effects, Warfare  
Vietnam War Tactics, Strategies, Causes, Effects, Warfare  
Gulf War Tactics, Strategies, Causes, Effects, Warfare  
War on Terror Tactics, Strategies, Causes, Effects, Warfare  
Cold War (PRC and USSR) Tactics, Strategies, Causes, Effects, Warfare

Major Assessments: Indiv Annotated Maps of WWII, Cold War Hot Spots  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 7, 9, 10  
Indiv Annotated Map of America's Conflicts 1920-2020  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 7, 9, 10  
Indiv WWII and Cold War Speeches Presentation (ie FDR Churchill JFK)  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10  
Group Poster and Presentation Honoring the Veterans of Select Conflict  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

### **Unit 6: History of Science and Technology (May)**

Main Topics Industrial, Communication and Transportation Revolutions Since 1920  
The Space Race  
The Internet  
BioMedical  
Petrochemicals

Major Assessment: Indiv Advertisement for an Historic Invention Poster and Present  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10  
Group Socratic Seminar/Debate The Top Ten of All Time  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

## **ALL YEAR**

From Beginning to End, the JHS as a whole takes time to produce two themed large projects for the school to enjoy. This year the topics are **“Coming to America- A Celebration of Diversity”** and **“Science and Technology - The 100 Greatest Inventions of All Time”**. They shall be placed in the Halls. The students select, as a whole JHS how to depict the theme. (ie, Heroes Wall, Chicago Wall last year. In the past, we have made “Halls of Fame”, Giant Timelines and other similar visual artifacts for the school to enjoy.

Main Topics: Diversity in America  
Immigration  
Cultural History  
Science, Technology and Innovation  
Communication, Transportation and Industrial Revolutions  
Tech as an Industry

Major Assessment: Two as yet undecided large, student designed and led, visual displays celebrating of American Diversity and Science and Tech (respectively)  
CCSS RH 6-8. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

### **Select Theme Days**

Labor Day, 9/11, Constitution Day, Columbus Day, Dia de los Muertos, Armistice Day/Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, Pearl Harbor Day, MLK Holiday, March 4 (Chicago Founding), May Day, Memorial Day are marked with a one day themed lesson, reflection, to place the date into Historical Context.

Major Assessments: Reflection/Paragraph Connecting Self to World, Past to Present  
CCSS RH 6-8 1, 2, 6, 8, 9, 10