



# North Polk Community Schools Pacing & Course Description Guide



Grade Level: 10-12

Content: World Religions

Year:

## Course Description/Rationale

This course is an overview of the most practiced religions around the globe. Religions studied will include: Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, and others. This course will not promote any one religion over another. However, this course will allow students to learn about the historical origins, fundamental beliefs, and impact on history of many different religions. The role that religion plays in people's lives as well as conflict over religion will be studied.

Name of Unit	Time Frame	Essential Learning Target	Standard(s)
Judaism	3 weeks	<p>Students will learn the history of Judaism, its beliefs, and its connection to society.</p> <p>Students will read and understand the importance of the major texts of Judaism.</p>	<p>SS-WH.9-12.13. Describe the impact of culture and institutions on societies.</p> <p>SS-WH.9-12.21. Investigate cultural advancements within societies with attention to belief systems, ideologies, the arts, science and technology.</p>
Christianity	4 weeks	<p>Students will learn the history of Christianity, its beliefs, and its connection to society.</p> <p>Students will read and understand the importance of the major texts of Christianity.</p>	<p>SS-WH.9-12.13. Describe the impact of culture and institutions on societies.</p> <p>SS-WH.9-12.21. Investigate cultural advancements within societies with attention to belief systems,</p>

			ideologies, the arts, science and technology.
Islam	3 weeks	<p>Students will learn the history of Islam, its beliefs, and its connection to society.</p> <p>Students will read and understand the importance of the major texts of Islam.</p>	<p>SS-WH.9-12.13. Describe the impact of culture and institutions on societies.</p> <p>SS-WH.9-12.21. Investigate cultural advancements within societies with attention to belief systems, ideologies, the arts, science and technology.</p>
Buddhism	3 weeks	<p>Students will learn the history of Buddhism, its beliefs, and its connection to society.</p> <p>Students will read and understand the importance of the major texts of Buddhism.</p>	<p>SS-WH.9-12.13. Describe the impact of culture and institutions on societies.</p> <p>SS-WH.9-12.21. Investigate cultural advancements within societies with attention to belief systems, ideologies, the arts, science and technology.</p>
Hinduism	3 weeks	<p>Students will learn the history of Hinduism, its beliefs, and its connection to society.</p> <p>Students will read and understand the importance of the major texts of Hinduism.</p>	<p>SS-WH.9-12.13. Describe the impact of culture and institutions on societies.</p> <p>SS-WH.9-12.21. Investigate cultural advancements within societies with attention to belief systems,</p>

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