



# Social Studies/History Alive!

Chesterfield Township  
Social Studies Curriculum  
Presentation  
2019

# Social Studies Curriculum Committee

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3rd Grade - Leia DeLisa

4th Grade - Laura Flynn

5th Grade - Allan Forsyth

6th Grade - Jillian Biddle

Resource Center - Erin Casey



# Revision Process - 2018-2019

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- Committee formed in the 2018 -2019 school year
- Unpacked the NJSLs for Social Studies, reviewed the Holocaust and Amistad Curriculum
- Researched best practices
- Reviewed the C3 (College, Career, and Civic Life) Framework
- Reviewed the new UbD format and viewed webinars on the new components
- Explored available materials
  - Reviewed materials in-house
  - Committee member attended presentations by representatives

# Revision Process - 2018-2019 contd.

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- Visitation - local district implementing SS/History Alive!
- All classroom teachers were provided with license for the Demo of Social Studies and History Alive to explore
- Committee members reviewed the material with their grade level teams



# Revision Process - 2019-2020

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- The committee began writing the curriculum at the end of last school year, but the majority of the work was done beginning in the summer through the beginning of this year.
- 5th and 6th grade teachers received professional development during the first few days of in-service.
- Kindergarten through 4th grade teachers received professional development during the October in-service. They began the year with a science unit.
- Teachers have been provided time in their PLCs during our in-services to review the new units and plan instruction.

# Materials

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Kindergarten - Me and My World

1st Grade - Social Studies Alive! My School and Family

2nd Grade - Social Studies Alive! My Community

3rd Grade - Social Studies Alive! Our Community and Beyond

4th Grade - Social Studies Alive! Regions of Our Country

5th Grade - Social Studies Alive! America's Past

6th Grade - History Alive! The Ancient World



# Why did we choose Social Studies/History Alive!?

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- We wanted something more interactive
- More engaging
- Lessons are student focused
- More exploratory learning

# Student Materials

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Kindergarten - 2nd Grade - Paper version of an Interactive Student Notebook and Student Editions

3rd Grade - Both digital and paper versions of the Student Edition and a digital version of the Interactive Student Notebook

4th - 6th Grade - Digital versions of an Interactive Student Notebook and Student Editions

- Paper versions are available for students who need it at all grade levels.



# Kindergarten & 1st Grade

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## Kindergarten

- Me, My Family, and My Friends
- Other People in My Life
- Places in My Life

## 1st Grade

- Family and School Learning Community
- Family Life and Changes Over Time
- Family Life Around the World



# 2nd & 3rd Grade

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## 2nd Grade

- People, Places, and Environments
- Economics - Families Today and in the Past
- People and Government Institutions and Practices

## 3rd Grade

- Geography
- Diversity
- Economics
- Government



# 4th & 5th Grade

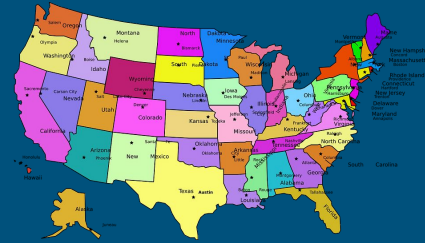
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## 4th Grade

- Regions of the United States
- Northeast/Southeast
- Midwest/Southwest
- Study of New Jersey

## 5th Grade

- Exploration
- Colonization and Settlement
- The American Revolution
- Expansion and Reform
- Civil War



# 6th Grade

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## 6th Grade

- Early Humans and the Rise of Civilization
- Ancient Egypt and the Middle East
- Ancient Greece
- Ancient Rome



# Materials & Methods

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Multimedia Presentations

Interactive Notebooks

Active Student Participation

Interactive Games

Assessment - Computer based, paper and pencil, performance tasks

Accessible