

Social Studies: Grade 3 Curriculum Overview

The Social studies curriculum focuses on the Illinois State Standards with the main topic of Communities. We work on the inquiry skills through a Google slide presentation of Regions, a biography study of an important person, learning about National Parks across the country, and completing reading/writing assignments within the ELA units of Benchmark. (Communities Then and Now, Government For The People, and Advancements in Technology) We use the Junior Achievement Curriculum & the Benchmark Unit called, "Spending Time and Money" to cover the Economic and Financial Literacy Standards.

Skills to be developed throughout the course:

- Inquiry skills/conducting research
- Map skills
- Cause and Effect events
- Use of primary and secondary sources
- Using Technology and Google Slides to present information
- Evaluating Sources
- Evaluating how historical events formed our present

Units of Study:

- Types of Communities
- Regions of the United States
- Government
- Economics
- Historical Events/Important people

The Learning Standards for this course are the Illinois Social Science Standards.

- [3rd Grade Social Studies Standards](#)