



Social Studies Curriculum – Kindergarten

Capital's social studies curriculum is aligned with state and national standards and addresses concepts in civics, economics, geography, and history. Students use tools such as maps, globes, timelines, charts and other geo-graphics to learn about various times and places in our world. Studying both primary and secondary resources such as artifacts, diaries, photographs, and newspaper accounts enables students to research topics, understand a variety of cultures and peoples, and analyze the causes and effects of events from the past to the present.

This year, your child will be focusing on the units listed below. The essential questions listed for each unit provide an overview of the main concepts that will be addressed in these units.

Unit: Good Citizens

1. What are the qualities and responsibilities of a good citizen?
2. Why do people need rules to get along?
3. How can you show responsibility?
4. What are some symbols of the United States?
5. Why are leaders important to people?

Unit: School and Community Helpers

1. What are the roles of significant people at home, at school, and in my community?
2. How do people support each other?
3. How do individuals, families, and communities make choices and use available resources to satisfy their wants and needs?
4. What can you do to help save resources?

Unit: Where We Live

1. What tools can we use to help us understand and describe the places and features of our world?
2. How do land, water, and weather affect how and where people live?
3. How are places and regions connected?

Unit: Now and Long Ago

1. What tools can we use to help us understand and describe the concept of time?
2. How do people and places change over time?
3. How can people learn about events that happened long ago?

For more information about your child's Social Studies curriculum, please contact your child's teacher or call the Curriculum Office at 672-1951.