

CFISD United States History Scope and Sequence (2026–2027)

Course Description

This course is a required one-year study of the United States from 1877 to the present. The time span of the course is divided into units such as the Progressives, Civil Rights, and the Cold War. Within each unit events are looked at from several perspectives such as geographic, political, economic, social, and international influences. Emphasis is placed on relating the effects of past events to the present. The course is enriched with various activities which help students learn social studies skills as well as historical content.

In accordance with the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS), Celebrate Freedom Week will be incorporated during the week of September 17.

Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS)

Reference: [TEA United States History Studies Standards](#)

First Semester (80 Days)

1st Grading Period – Ends Oct. 8, 2026 (41 Days)

Unit	Days	End Date
Supportive Learning Environment (SLE)	1	Aug. 12, 2026
Foundations of U.S. History	3	Aug. 17, 2026
Western Expansion	5	Aug. 24, 2026
Industrialism	10	Sept. 8, 2026
Progressives	10	Sept. 22, 2026
Rise of a World Power	6	Sept. 30, 2026
World War I—1914-1920	6	Oct. 8, 2026

2nd Grading Period – Ends Dec. 18, 2026 (39 Days)

Unit	Days	End Date
World War I—1914-1920	3	Oct. 21, 2026
The Twenties	6	Oct. 29, 2026
The Thirties	11	Nov. 16, 2026
World War II	11	Dec. 8, 2026
The Early Cold War 1945-1960*	8	Dec. 18, 2026

Second Semester (93 Days)

3rd Grading Period – Ends March 11, 2027 (46 Days)

Unit	Days	End Date
Supportive Learning Environment (SLE)	1	Jan. 5, 2027
The Early Cold War 1945-1960	5	Jan. 12, 2027
1960s	4	Jan. 19, 2027
The Civil Rights Movement	14	Feb. 8, 2027
Vietnam War	6	Feb. 17, 2027
1970s	8	March 1, 2027
1980s	6	March 9, 2027
1990s	2	March 11, 2026

4th Grading Period – Ends May 27, 2027 (47 Days)

Unit	Days	End Date
1990s	3	March 24, 2027
21st Century	7	April 5, 2027
STAAR Review and EOC Test	6	April 13, 2027
Making Connections from Westward Expansion to Early Cold War	15	May 5, 2027
Making Connections from the Cold War to present day	16	May 27, 2027

Instructional Materials

Appleby, Brinkley, Broussard, McPherson, Ritchie (eds.), *U.S. History Since 1877*, McGraw-Hill Education, Copyright 2016

Notes

The length of each unit is a specific number of days, but it is understood that there is a range of +/- a day. The purpose of the flexibility is meant to allow teachers the opportunity to plan for the needs of their students and to accommodate re-teaching or review when necessary. If pre-assessment indicates student mastery could be obtained in a fewer number of days, the additional time could be used for extension or carried into the next unit.