

Our Lady of the Lake Roman Catholic School
Yearly Course Outline
Social Studies
Seventh Grade
2026–2027

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Course Description

United States History will be presented as a chronological story of America and its people. It will follow the development from our distant to our most recent past. We will study the geography, political, economic and social conditions, and the people that have affected our country. The goal of U.S. History is to acquaint the students with America's past so that they have a better understanding of the American present and are better prepared to play a part in our nation's future. The students will develop a sense of historical time and historical perspective as they study the history of their community, state, nation, and world.

Instructional Materials

United States History (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)

Methods of Assessment and Distribution

All test, quiz, and homework grades will be posted on PowerSchool (www.ollpowerschool.org). Please check for postings frequently. Each quarter, four test- and four quiz-weighted assessments will be administered.

1st & 2nd Quarters
(Exams taken)

50% Tests
20% Exams
20% Quizzes
10% Homework

3rd & 4th Quarters
(No Exams taken)

60% Tests
30% Quizzes
10% Homework

Grading Scale

A: 100-94
B: 93-86
C: 85-78
D: 77-70
U: 69 and below

Tentative Course Calendar

**** Dates and course content are subject to change at discretion of teacher or administration. ****

Aug 6 – First day of school for 4th – 7th

Week	Standards	Objectives (The learner will . . .)	Instructional Materials	Assessments
1st Quarter				
Week 1 Aug. 10-14 8/14 Summer Reading Due		Discuss classroom policies and procedures.	Module 3 The English Colonies	Module Quiz: The English Colonies
Week 2 Aug. 17-21 8/18 PTCC Mtg 6pm	7.2.1 7.5.1 7.8.8	Explore the English colonies in North America and the tensions that developed there over British tax policies.	Module 3 The English Colonies	Quiz Grade: Declaration Packet
Week 3 Aug. 24-28	7.1.3 7.2.1 7.2.2 7.2.3 7.5.3 7.8.8	Examine how the American Revolution began and analyze its major battles and eventual outcome.	Module 4 The American Revolution	Test 1: American Revolution
Week 4 Aug 31-Sept 4	7.1.3 7.2.1 7.2.2 7.2.3 7.5.3 7.8.8	Examine how the American Revolution began and analyze its major battles and eventual outcome.	Module 4 The American Revolution	Quiz 2: Forming a government
Week 5 Sept. 7-11 9/7 Labor Day No School	7.1.3 7.8.5 7.2.3 7.10.1 7.8.1 7.11.3 7.8.3 7.8.4	Learn about the founding fathers and their role in the formation of the U.S. government	Module 5 Forming a government	Test 2: Forming a Government
Week 6 Sept. 14-18 Spirit Week 9/18 Pep Rally and Fun Run Kickoff	7.1.3 7.8.5 7.2.3 7.10.1 7.8.1 7.11.3 7.8.3 7.8.4	Learn about the founding fathers and their role in the formation of the U.S. government	Module 5 Forming a government	Test 3: Module Test (part 1) Quiz Grade: Constitutional Scavenger Hunt
Week 7 Sept. 21-25 9/25 Birthday Brunch (July, Aug, Sept)	7.1.3 7.8.5 7.2.3 7.10.1 7.8.1 7.11.3 7.8.3 7.8.4	Analyze the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and what it means to be a U.S. citizen	Module 6 Citizenship and the Constitution	Quiz Grade: Constitutional Scavenger Hunt Test 4: Presentation
Week 8 Sept. 28- Oct. 2 10/2 – Fun Run 10/2 - ½ day dismissal	7.1.3 7.8.5 7.2.3 7.10.1 7.8.1 7.11.3 7.8.3 7.8.4	Analyze the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and what it means to be a U.S. citizen	Module 6 Citizenship and the Constitution	
Week 9 Oct. 5-9 10/8 End of 1 st Qtr 10/9 No School		6 th - 7 th – Middle School Exams		

10/9-10/11 Festival of the Lake				
2nd Quarter				
Week 10 Oct. 12-16 10/13 Living Rosary 10/15 CFR Reward Day 10/15 - ½ Day 10/15 - Parent Teacher Conferences 10/16 – No School	7.1.3 7.8.5 7.2.3 7.10.1 7.8.1 7.11.3 7.8.3 7.8.4	Analyze the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and what it means to be a U.S. citizen	Module 6 Citizenship and the Constitution	Amendments Quiz
Week 11 Oct. 19-23	7.1.3 7.8.5 7.2.3 7.10.1 7.8.1 7.11.3 7.8.3 7.8.4	Analyze the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and what it means to be a U.S. citizen	Module 6 Citizenship and the Constitution	Test 1: Amendments and Legislative Branch
Week 12 Oct. 26-30 <i>Red Ribbon Week</i>	7.1.3 7.8.5 7.2.3 7.10.1 7.8.1 7.11.3 7.8.3 7.8.4	Analyze the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and what it means to be a U.S. citizen	Module 6 Citizenship and the Constitution	Quiz 2: Executive Branch
Week 13 Nov. 2-6	7.1.3 7.8.5 7.2.3 7.10.1 7.8.1 7.11.3 7.8.3 7.8.4	Analyze the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and what it means to be a U.S. citizen	Module 6 Citizenship and the Constitution	Test 2: Executive and Judicial Branches.
Week 14 Nov. 9-13 11/11 Veterans Day Prayer Service	7.1.3 7.9.3 7.2.4 7.10.1 7.3.1 7.10.5 7.3.2 7.11.2 7.5.3 7.11.3 7.8.8	Identify how the nation’s leaders organized their new government by paying off the national debt, dealing with foreign and domestic conflicts and forming political parties	Module 7 Launching the Nation	Quiz 3: K of C poster or Patriotic Essay or Module Quiz
Week 15 Nov. 16-20 St. Nick’s Workshop	7.1.3 7.9.3 7.2.4 7.10.1 7.3.1 7.10.5 7.3.2 7.11.2 7.5.3 7.11.3 7.8.8	Identify how the nation’s leaders organized their new government by paying off the national debt, dealing with foreign and domestic conflicts and forming political parties	Module 7 Launching the Nation	Test 3: Launching the Nation
Thanksgiving Holidays				
Nov. 23-27				
Week 16 Nov 30-Dec 4 12/4 Birthday Brunch (Oct, Nov, Dec)	7.1.3 7.9.3 7.2.4 7.10.1 7.3.1 7.10.5 7.3.2 7.11.2 7.5.3 7.11.3 7.8.8	Analyze the La. Purchase, the War of 1812, and the challenges the nation faced as it grew.	Module 8 War and Expansion	Quiz 3: War of 1812
Week 17 Dec. 7-11	7.1.3 7.9.3 7.2.4 7.10.1 7.3.1 7.10.5 7.3.2 7.11.2	Analyze the La. Purchase, the War of 1812, and the challenges the nation faced as it grew.	Module 8 War and Expansion Module 9	Test: National Identity Test

	7.5.3 7.11.3 7.8.8	Analyze the development of both American foreign policy and culture	A New National Identity	
Week 18 Dec. 14-18 12/18 - ½ day End of 2 nd Qtr				
Christmas Holidays Dec. 21 – Jan. 4				
3rd Quarter				
Week 19 Jan. 4-8 ¼ - No School	7.1.3 7.9.3 7.2.4 7.10.1 7.3.1 7.10.5 7.3.2 7.11.2 7.5.3 7.11.3 7.8.8	Study the presidency of Andrew Jackson, examine the increased conflict between the northern and southern states that marked his administration, and identify Jackson’s policies toward Native Americans	Module 10 The Age of Jackson	Quiz 1: Jackson Packet
Week 20 Jan. 12-16	7.1.3 7.9.3 7.2.4 7.10.1 7.3.1 7.10.5 7.3.2 7.11.2 7.5.3 7.11.3 7.8.8	Study the presidency of Andrew Jackson, examine the increased conflict between the northern and southern states that marked his administration, and identify Jackson’s policies toward Native Americans	Module 10 The Age of Jackson	Test 1: The Age of Jackson
Week 21 Jan. 18-22 1/18 – MLK Day No School 1/22 Birthday Brunch (Jan, Feb, Mar)	7.1.3 7.7.1 7.3.1 7.8.8 7.3.2 7.9.3 7.3.3 7.10.1 7.3.4 7.10.2 7.3.5 7.11.1 7.5.3 7.11.2 7.6.2 7.6.3	Examine the movement of Americans to the West and the expansion of U.S. influence in Texas and California	Module 11 Westward Expansion	Quiz 2: Westward Expansion
Week 22 Jan. 25-29 1/29 - Pep Rally 1/29 – Eve Parade	7.1.3 7.7.1 7.3.1 7.8.8 7.3.2 7.9.3 7.3.3 7.10.1 7.3.4 7.10.2 7.3.5 7.11.1 7.5.3 7.11.2 7.6.2 7.6.3	Examine the movement of Americans to the West and the expansion of U.S. influence in Texas and California	Module 12 Expansion and Conflict	Test 2: Western Expansion and Conflict
Week 23 Feb. 1-5 Catholic Schools Week 2/5 Grandparents Day 2/5 – ½ Day	7.1.3 7.7.1 7.3.1 7.8.8 7.3.2 7.9.3 7.3.3 7.10.1 7.3.4 7.10.2 7.3.5 7.11.1 7.5.3 7.11.2 7.6.2 7.6.3	Analyze the economic, cultural, physical, and social effects of technological improvements on the Northern states	Module 13 The North	
Mardi Gras Holiday February 8-12				
Week 24 Feb. 15-19	7.1.3 7.7.1 7.3.1 7.8.8 7.3.2 7.9.3 7.3.3 7.10.1 7.3.4 7.10.2 7.3.5 7.11.1 7.5.3 7.11.2	Study the development of the South’s social structure during the early 1800’s	Module 14/15 The South	Test 3: The North and the South

	7.6.2 7.6.3			
Week 25 Feb. 22-26	7.1.3 7.7.1 7.3.1 7.8.8 7.3.2 7.9.3 7.3.3 7.10.1 7.3.4 7.10.2 7.3.5 7.11.1 7.5.3 7.11.2 7.6.2 7.6.3	Examine the changing American society of the early 1800's	Module 16 Reform Movements	Quiz 3: Reform Movements
Week 26 March 1-5 Book Fair	7.1.3 7.10.1 7.3.3 7.3.5 7.4.1 7.4.2 7.8.8	Identify the events leading up to the Civil War	Module 17 A Divided Nation	Quiz 4: Pre-Civil War Map Quiz
Week 27 March 8-12 3/12 – ½ Day End of 3 rd Qtr	7.1.1	Identify the events leading up to the Civil War		Test 4: Beginning of the Civil War
4th Quarter				
Week 28 March 15-19 3/18 - Passion Play	7.1.3 7.10.1 7.3.3 7.3.5 7.4.1 7.4.2 7.8.8	Analyze the events of the Civil War along with the effect these events had on the lives of Americans	Module 18 The Civil War	
Week 29 March 22-26 3/26 - Good Friday	7.1.3 7.10.1 7.3.3 7.3.5 7.4.1 7.4.2 7.8.8	Analyze the events of the Civil War along with the effect these events had on the lives of Americans	Module 18 The Civil War	Test 1: Civil War Part 1
Easter Holiday March 26 – April 2				
Week 30 April 5-9	7.1.3 7.10.1 7.3.3 7.3.5 7.4.1 7.4.2 7.5.1 7.8.8	Analyze the events of the Civil War along with the effect these events had on the lives of Americans	Module 18 The Civil War	Test 2: Complete Civil War Test Quizzes 1, 2, and 3: Civil War Includes 2 map quizzes
Week 31 April 12-16	7.1.3 7.4.3 7.8.8 7.10.1 7.10.2	Examine the challenges that faced the nation after the Civil War and the efforts made to meet those challenges	Module 19 Reconstruction	Test 3: Civil War Renowned Units Project
Week 32 April 19-23 4/23 Birthday Brunch (Apr, May, June)	7.1.3 7.4.3 7.8.8 7.10.1 7.10.2	Examine the challenges that faced the nation after the Civil War and the efforts made to meet those challenges	Module 19 Reconstruction	Test 4: Presentations

Week 33 April 26 - 30 4/30 - Field Day ½ Day	7.1.1	Create power point presentations (FINAL PRESENTATION)	Presentations	Quiz 4: presentation notes
Week 34 May 3-7 5/4 May Crowning 5/6 – 7 th Closing Ceremony				
Week 35 May 10-14				
Week 36 May 17-21 5/19 – Grades Due				
Week 37 May 24-25 5/25 – ½ Day				