

Shiner ISD

Class Syllabus

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Texas History (7th)

Grading Policy:

Test: 50%

Daily Work 50%

U.S. History since 1877 (11th)

Grading Policy:

Test: 50%

Daily Work 50%

U.S. History to 1877 (8th)

Grading Policy:

Test: 50%

Daily Work 50%

World History (10th)

Grading Policy:

Test: 50%

Daily Work 50%

Late work policy for all classes:

1 day late: -20 points

Each additional day -10 points

Re Test:

You may retest a test if your grade is below a 70. Highest grade possible would be a 70 for the grade that would be entered into the gradebook. You must talk with me and set up a time to retest.

Expectations:

Please be on time to class, I will start pretty quick.

Be prepared with materials for class as needed. Pen, Pencil, Paper, Notebook, etc.

Participate and be Respectful and Courteous to each other.

Do Right!! We all know what is right and wrong. Get along and get yourself an education.

BE KIND to one another!!

I look forward to the new school year and the successes we are going to have.

Student Signature: _____ Parent Signature: _____

Year at a Glance
2025
8th grade U.S. History to 1877

Six Weeks	Major Concepts / Topics
1st Six Weeks	Unit 1: Exploration & Early Colonization and Colonial Regions • Reasons for Exploration • Early English Settlements • Growth of Representative Government • New England Colonies • Middle Colonies • Southern Colonies • Comparison of Regions
2nd Six Weeks	Unit 2: American Revolution • French & Indian War Road to the Revolution • Events and People of the Revolution (DOI) • Independence Recognized (AOC) Unit 3: The Constitution • Constitutional Convention • Branches of Government • Principles of Government
3rd Six Weeks	Unit 4: Early Republic • Early Presidents • Ratification Debate • War of 1812
4th Six Weeks	Unit 5: Age of Jackson • Jacksonian Democracy • Conflict and Compromise • Forced Removal and Resettlement of Native Americans Unit 6: Industrialization & Westward Expansion • Push/Pull Factors Contributing to Settlement • Conflicts Arising from Expansion • Causes of the Industrial Revolution • Free Enterprise and Innovation • Effects of Industrialization
5th Six Weeks	Unit 7: Reform and Culture • Causes of Reform Movements • Reform Movements • American Culture Unit 8: Civil War & Reconstruction • Causes of the Civil War • Important Events and People • Reconstruction
6th Six Weeks	April 14- 24 STAAR Testing Window 8th Grade Social Studies Test date to be announced Review for STAAR Financial Responsibility and Budgeting Unit

Instructional Material
Textbook: McGraw Hill Education; United States History to 1877 ISBN 978-0-07-659810-6
State Standards (TEKS)
https://lead4ward.com/docs/resources/snapshots/ss/teks_snapshot_ss_gr_08.pdf

Please Note: This guide represents a recommended timeline and sequence to be used voluntarily by teachers for planning purposes. Specific questions regarding when content will be addressed in a specific course is best answered by the individual teacher. In general, teachers should remain within 1-2 weeks of the suggested pacing.

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Year at a Glance
2025
7th grade Texas History

Six Weeks	Major Concepts / Topics
1st Six Weeks	Unit 1: Natural Texas and Early People - History Tools & Geography Skills - Natural Regions - Early People of Texas Unit 2: Exploration - European Exploration - Spanish Missions
2nd Six Weeks	Unit 3: Age of Empresarios - Mexican National Era - Empresarios and Colonization Unit 4: Texas Revolution - Road to Revolution - Events of the Revolution - People of the Revolution - End of the Revolution
3rd Six Weeks	Unit 4: Texas Revolution - Road to Revolution - Events of the Revolution - People of the Revolution - End of the Revolution Unit 5: Texas Government - Principles of Government - Structures and Functions of Government - Rights and Responsibilities of Citizens
4th Six Weeks	Unit 6: Republic of Texas & Early Statehood - The Republic - Early Statehood and Annexation - U.S.-Mexican War and Manifest Destiny Unit 7: Civil War & Reconstruction - Causes of the Civil War - Events of the Civil War - Reconstruction
5th Six Weeks	Unit 8: Cattle, Cotton, & Conflict - Cowboys, Cattle, Cotton, and the Frontier - Galveston Storm • Oil in Texas Unit 9: Boom, Bust, & World Wars - Progressivism and Social Reform - World War I - The Great Depression and Dust Bowl - World War II
6th Six Weeks	Unit 10: Modern Texas - Civil Rights - Space, Science, and Technology - Rise of Conservatism • 9/11

Instructional Material
Textbook: McGraw Hill Education; Texas History ISBN 978-0-07-661271-0
State Standards (TEKS)
https://lead4ward.com/docs/resources/snapshots/ss/teks_snapshot_ss_gr_07.pdf

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Year at a Glance
2025
10th Grade World History

Six Weeks	Major Concepts / Topics
1st Six Weeks	• Unit 1 Agricultural Revolution, River Valley Civilizations • Unit 2 Religions, Classical Civilizations
2nd Six Weeks	• Unit 3 Collapse of Classical Civilizations, Post-Classical Europe • Unit 4 Rise of Islamic Empire, Tang and Song China, Economics, and Trade, Mongols
3rd Six Weeks	• Unit 5 Art, Architecture and Literature over time, Renaissance & Reformation, Ottoman Empire • Unit 6 Maya, Aztec, Inca Civilizations, Ming China Exploration and Colonization
4th Six Weeks	• Unit 7 Scientific Revolution, Absolute Monarchy, Enlightenment, Revolutions • Unit 8 Industrial Revolution, Nationalism Imperialism New Economic and Political Systems
5th Six Weeks	• Unit 9 World War I Russian Revolution Between the Wars • Unit 10 World War II Emergence of Cold War
6th Six Weeks	• 11 Cold War Conflicts Independence Movements Post-Colonialism • 12 Reagan, Continuing Conflicts, Global Terrorism

Instructional Material
Textbook: McGraw Hill Education; World History ISBN 978-0-07-660599-6
State Standards (TEKS)
https://tea.texas.gov/academics/subject-areas/social-studies/hs-world-history-studies-2024-2025-crosswalk.pdf

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Year at a Glance
2026
11th Grade U.S. History

Six Weeks	Major Concepts / Topics
1st Six Weeks	- Unit US-1 Westward Expansion (9 days) - Unit US-2 Gilded Age: Industrialization/Immigration/ Urbanization (13 days) - Unit US-3 Populism and Progressive Era (15 days)
2nd Six Weeks	- Unit US-4 US Emerging World Power World War I (14 days) - Unit US-5 1920s/Great Depression/ New Deal (10 days)
3rd Six Weeks	Unit US-6 Growth of Totalitarianism World War II (19 days, including finals week)
4th Six Weeks	- Unit US-7 Cold War Beginnings Post-War Prosperity (13 days) - Unit US-8 JFK, Johnson Civil Rights Movement (13 days)
5th Six Weeks	- Unit US-9 Vietnam War Nixon-Ford-Carter 1960s-1970s (12 days) - Unit US-10 Reagan-Bush 41-Clinton 1980s-2001 (9 days)
6th Six Weeks	- Unit US-11 Contemporary America 2002-2016 (7 days) - Unit US-12 STAAR Prep (7 days) – Historical Perspectives for a New Era 4(24 days including finals)

Instructional Material
Textbook: McGraw Hill Education; U.S. History Since 1877 ISBN 978-0-07-660854-6
State Standards (TEKS)
https://texas-sos.appianportalsgov.com/rules-and-meetings?\$locale=en_US&interface=VIEW_TAC_SUMMARY&queryAsDate=08%2F10%2F2026&recordId=212504

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