High School Syllabus

Department: Social Studies — Course #: 20223W

Course Title: Influence of Sports on American Society I

DESCRIPTION OF COURSE: Americans have exhibited a passion for sports as spectators and participants since the founding of this nation. This course examines how the development of sports in America has shaped and reflected American society culturally, socially, economically, and politically. Students will explore the foundation of sports in Ancient civilizations, the creation of modern sports in America, and the impact these sports play in areas of gender, race, and the overall progress of our nation.

REQUIRED TOPICS OF STUDY	SUGGESTED INSTRUCTIONAL TIME	STANDARDS/ ELIGIBLE CONTENT
English Heritage and Games the Colonists Played	4 Weeks	*8.1.U A,B,C, / 8.2.U A,B,C,D / 8.2.U A,B,C,D / CC8.5.11-12J / CC8.6.11-12A / CC8.6.11-12I*
The Emergence of Organized Sports	4 Weeks	*8.1.U A,B,C, / 8.2.U A,B,C,D / 8.2.U A,B,C,D / CC8.5.11-12J / CC8.6.11-12A / CC8.6.11-12I*
A Noble and Invigorating Game: Baseball and the Beginning of Professional Sports	4 Weeks	*8.1.U A,B,C, / 8.2.U A,B,C,D / 8.2.U A,B,C,D / CC8.5.11-12J / CC8.6.11-12A / CC8.6.11-12I*
Formative Years of College Athletics and Creation of Football	3 Weeks	*8.1.U A,B,C, / 8.2.U A,B,C,D / 8.2.U A,B,C,D / CC8.5.11-12J / CC8.6.11-12A / CC8.6.11-12I*
Sports at the Turn of the Century	2 Weeks	*8.1.U A,B,C, / 8.2.U A,B,C,D / 8.2.U A,B,C,D / CC8.5.11-12J / CC8.6.11-12A / CC8.6.11-12I*

RESOURCES: Sports in American Life: A History by Richard O. Davies

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