

Elementary Social Studies Content

	Kindergarten	1st Grade	2nd Grade
Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Basic Geography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Interpreting a Map (Classroom, School, etc.) ○ Characteristics of Homes & Business Buildings - Physical Characteristics of Places & Regions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Identify Landforms (Ex: Mountains) ○ Identify Bodies of Water (Ex: Lakes, Rivers, Oceans) - Interactions Between People and the Environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Seasons 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Basic Geography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Identifying Geographic Tools (Maps & Globes) - Harrisburg ○ Identify Features on a Map - Physical Characteristics of Places & Regions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Characteristics of Our Community ○ Bodies of Water Impact on People - Interactions Between People and the Environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Local Climate (Seasons) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Basic Geography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Interpreting Maps ○ Geographic Regions in PA - Physical Characteristics of Places & Regions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Characteristics of PA ○ Physical Processes that Affect PA - Interactions Between People and the Environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Effect of Geography on PA Residents ○ Environmental Changes that Impact People
Government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rules and Respect <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Purpose/Need for Rules ○ Respect for Self & Others - Rights and Responsibilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ School/Classroom ○ Consequences ○ Problems & Solutions ○ Classroom Leadership & Service - Keep Me Safe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Role of Emergency Personnel ○ Role of Each Family Member ○ Community Volunteers - Community Relationships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conflict/Cooperation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rules and Respect <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Purpose/Need for Rules ○ Equality - Rights and Responsibilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ School/Home ○ Consequences ○ Problems & Solutions ○ School Leadership & Service - Keep Me Safe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Role of Local Government ○ Value of Service Jobs ○ Community Members - Community Relationships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conflict/Cooperation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rules and Respect <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Purpose/Need for Rules ○ Fairness - Rights and Responsibilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ School/Home/Community/PA - Keep Me Safe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Role of PA Government in Problem Solving ○ Local Government Leaders ○ Responsible Citizen Behavior ○ Consequences - Community Relationships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conflict & Compromise in PA
History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Historical Analysis & Skills Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chronological Sequencing – Calendar & Time Order - History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ American Holidays ○ Important People Related to Holidays ○ Different Cultural Celebrations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Historical Analysis & Skills Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chronological Sequencing – Calendar & Time Order - History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Important People to Local History 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Historical Analysis & Skills Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Interpret Timeline Information - Pennsylvania History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Symbols, Slogans, Mottos, Historical Figures, Important Buildings, Statues, etc. - History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Celebrations & Remembrances
Economics		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Choice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Family/Classroom Wants/Needs/Interest - Markets & Economic Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Money, Goods, Consumers & Producers, Advertisements - Income, Profit & Wealth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jobs in the Community ○ Earn & Save Money 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scarcity & Choice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Scarcity of Resources Influences Choice ○ State Wants/Needs ○ Consequences of Choice - Markets & Economic Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Goods, Services, Consumers & Producers ○ Community Businesses - Income, Profit & Wealth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ How Money is Used/Saved ○ Earnings Impacted by Job Skills

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	3rd Grade	4th Grade	5th Grade
Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Basic Geography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Interpreting Maps ○ U.S. Geographic Regions - Physical/Human Characteristics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Physical/Human Characteristics & Physical Processes of U.S. - People/Environment Interactions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ People & Environment in U.S. Affect Each Other 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Basic Geography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Interpreting Maps ○ North American Geographic Regions - Physical/Human Characteristics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Physical/Human Characteristics & Physical Processes of North America - People/Environment Interactions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ People & Environment in North America Affect Each Other 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Basic Geography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Interpreting Maps ○ World Geographic Regions - Physical/Human Characteristics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Physical/Human Characteristics & Physical Processes of the World - People/Environment Interactions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ People & Environment in the World Affect Each Other
Government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Principles & Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Purpose of Rules, Laws & Consequences ○ Principles Shaping Our National Government - Rights and Responsibilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conflict & Resolution ○ Leadership & Public Service Opportunities in School and Nation - How Government Works <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Role of 3 Branches ○ How Government is Influenced ○ Purpose of Taxes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Principles & Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ School/PA/U.S. Rules & Laws ○ U.S. Documents, Symbols & Holidays - Rights and Responsibilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conflict & Resolution ○ Leadership/Public Service Opportunities in Community/PA - How Government Works <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Role of 3 Branches ○ Voting/Elected Representatives ○ Conflict & Influences - International Relationships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ North American Conflicts ○ Role of the Media ○ Compromise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Principles & Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rule of Law/Individual Rights ○ Principles of Our Government ○ Important U.S. Documents - Rights and Responsibilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Compare/Contrast Individual & Community Rights/Needs ○ Leadership & Public Service - How Government Works <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Responsibilities of 3 Branches ○ Function of Elected Bodies ○ Role of Government/Officials ○ Voting ○ Opinion of Government - International Relationships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ World Conflicts ○ World Leaders/United Nations
History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Historical Analysis & Skills Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Past/Present/Future ○ Fact/Opinion/Point of View ○ Historical Sources - PA/U.S History During Revolution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Contributions of Historical Figures/Groups ○ Historical Documents, Artifacts & Places ○ Impacts of Continuity & Change 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Historical Analysis & Skills Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Influence of Geography & Climate on Continuity/Change ○ Fact/Opinion/Point of View ○ Historical Sources - PA/U.S/North American History of Native Americans and the Colonies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Impacts of Continuity & Change ○ Conflict/Cooperation Among Groups/Organizations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Historical Analysis & Skills Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fact/Opinion/Point of View ○ Historical Sources - U.S/World History of the Explorers and the American Revolution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Impacts of Continuity & Change ○ Historical Documents, Artifacts & Places ○ Conflict/Cooperation Among Groups/Organizations ○ Scarcity & Choice (World)
Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Choice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Resources/Wants/Needs in U.S. ○ Reason/Consequence of Choice - Markets & Economic Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Goods, Services, Consumers & Producers in Nation ○ Competing Sellers ○ Types of Advertising ○ Government Affects Economy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Markets & Economic Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Production to Consumption ○ Competing Sellers ○ Local Business Success/Failure ○ Government Affects Economy - Income, Profit & Wealth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Costs/Benefits of Saving and Borrowing ○ Role of Banks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Markets & Economic Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Imports/Exports/Trade ○ Goods/Services/Pricing ○ Business Success/Failure - Income, Profit & Wealth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Occupational Requirements ○ Positive/Negative Incentives ○ Tangible/Intangible Assets ○ Entrepreneurship