

U.S. History



COURSE CALENDAR

1st Nine Weeks

Unit 1: Colonization (1607 - 1750)

Learning Outcome: Students will examine the European settlement of North America, geographic features that influenced early colonies, and the social, religious, political, and economic reasons for colonization.

Major Assignments: Unit Test, Colony Want Ad

Unit 2: The American Revolution (1700-1783)

Learning Outcome: Students will examine the European settlement of North America, geographic features that influenced early colonies, and the social, religious, political, and economic reasons for colonization.

Major Assignments: Unit Test, Spirit of Independence Hall of Fame Project

Unit 3: A New Nation* (1775-1800)

Learning Outcome: Students will explore the foundation of U.S. government, the principles of the Articles of Confederation, and the U.S. Constitution, and the individuals who played influential roles in the development of the new nation. In addition, students will examine the steps taken by Tennessee to achieve statehood and the initial development of government.

Major Assignments: Unit Test, Current Event Constitutional Connection Essay

*This unit will conclude in the 2nd nine weeks.

2nd Nine Weeks

Unit 4: Growth of a Young Nation (1800-1820)

Learning Outcome: Students will analyze the strengthening of the judicial branch, the major events of Thomas Jefferson's presidency, the War of 1812, and the role of the U.S. on the world stage.

Major Assignments: Unit Test, Superhero Presidential Trading Cards

Unit 5: Sectionalism and Reform (1790s-1850s)

Learning Outcome: Students will analyze the social, political, and economic development of the North and South during the early 19th century, including the growth of sectionalism and reform movements.

Major Assignments: Unit Test, Technological Achievements of the Early U.S. Multimedia Poster

Unit 6: The Jacksonian Era* (1824 - 1840)

Learning Outcome: Students will analyze the impact of John Marshall on the strengthening of the judicial branch and the major events of Andrew Jackson's presidency.

Major Assignments: Unit Test, Political Campaign Ad Project, Cultural Awareness Poster Project

*This unit will conclude in the 3rd nine weeks.

Course Calendar Continued



3rd Nine Weeks

Unit: Expansion and Vision of the Nation (1820s - 1860s)

Learning Outcome: Students will analyze the social, political, and economic impact of expansion, on the U.S. the growing tensions between the North and South, and how compromise sought to hold the country together.

Major Assignments: Unit Test, Cultural Awareness Poster Project

Unit 8: The Civil War (1860-1865)

Learning Outcome: Students will examine the political changes that sparked the Civil War, the difference in the North and South, and the key leaders, events, battles, and daily life during the war.

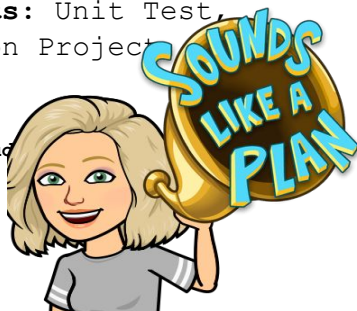
Major Assignments: Unit Test, A Letter Home Narrative Project

Unit 9: Reconstruction (1865-1877)

Learning Outcome: Students will analyze the social, economic, and political changes, and conflicts during Reconstruction, the events and lasting consequences of Reconstruction, and Reconstruction's impact on Tennessee.

Major Assignments: Unit Test, Political Cartoon Project

*This unit will conclude in the 4th nine weeks.



4th Nine Weeks

Unit 10: TN Ready Review

Objective: Students will review knowledge gained through previous topics and prepare for proficiency/mastery of TN Ready Social Studies Standards.

Major Assignments: TN Ready Social Studies Test

Grading

Students will meet the objectives listed above through a combination of the following activities in this course:

- Daily class participation and note-taking/discussion
- Quizzes and Chapter Tests
- Projects illustrating standards-based topics of study
- Slide Show presentations regarding assigned curriculum-based topics
- Essays based upon reading texts and textual evidence

Tennessee Social Studies Standards Link

https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/education/standards/ss/Social_Studies_Standards.pdf