

8th Grade Social Studies

Student Learning Expectations

The student should be able to:

BEHAVIORAL

- Analyze primary sources
- Explain how current events impact society
- Investigate potential careers

ECONOMICS

- Explain how economic opportunities are impacted by personal decisions
- Describe the function of common financial tools

GEOGRAPHY

- Use geographic tools to locate and analyze information about people, places, and environments

HISTORY

- Describe historical factors that led to American independence

POLITICAL SCIENCE/CIVICS

- Explain the purpose and function of the three branches of government
- Identify the duties and responsibilities of citizenship
- Identify the responsibilities of the major levels of government
- Define a political party and its role in government
- Describe how the amendments to the Constitution protect our individual rights

SKILLS FOR LEARNING

- Use a variety of strategies to comprehend content area materials