

# St. Raphael the Archangel

## Social Studies

### 7th Grade 2017-2018

#### **Learning Goals – Students will:**

#### **Principles of the Republic in the United States**

1. Analyze important principles in the Declaration of Independence.
2. Analyze important principles in the Constitution.
3. Apply important principles of the Bill of Rights.
4. Apply knowledge of responsibilities that governments and citizens need to accept in order to carry out the principles in the Bill of Rights.
5. Compare and contrast limited government, rule of law, majority rule, and minority rights.

#### **Elements of Geographical Study and Analysis**

1. Use geographic research sources to process and report information to solve problems.
2. Construct maps and locate and describe geographic places using absolute and relative location.
3. Locate cities and nations of the world in historical context.
4. Locate the world's continents, oceans, and major topographic features a civilizations spread.
5. Describe physical characteristics and how physical processes shape the physical environment.
6. Identify human characteristics.
7. Describe a variety of ecosystems, and explain where they may be found and how physical processes and human activities may change them.

#### **American History**

1. Analyze the viability and diversity of Native American cultures before Europeans came.
2. Evaluate the importance of discovery, exploration, and early settlement of America.
3. Interpret the American Revolution, including the perspectives of patriots and loyalists and factors that explain why the American colonists were successful.
4. Justify the drafting of the Constitution and its effects on the formation of the new nation.

5. Assess the significance of Westward Expansion through the exploration of Lewis and Clark and the Corps of Discovery.
6. Analyze cultural interactions among the Native Americans, immigrants from Europe, and Africans brought to America.
7. Summarize Jacksonian Democracy.
8. Summarize Abolitionism and the Women's Reform movement.
9. Assess the significance of Westward Expansion through the achievement of Manifest Destiny.

## Social History

1. Explain causes and effects of migration streams, movements of people to job markets, barriers to human movement and how people overcome such barriers.
2. Explain how regions of the world relate to one another and change over time.
3. Identify and describe world-wide patterns of resource distribution.
4. Identify how technology and culture have influenced resource use in the past.
5. Identify and explain environmental consequences of how people use resources from historical examples.
6. Identify and explain the effect of natural forces upon human activities from historical experiences.
7. Use geography to interpret the past, explain the present, and plan for the future.
8. Analyze how the needs of individuals are met by families, friends, groups, and organizations in the United States and other nations.
9. Analyze how cultural traditions, human actions, and institutions affect people's behavior.
10. Identify how laws and events affect members of groups and relationships among groups.
11. Evaluate constructive processes or methods for resolving conflicts.

## Tools of Social Science Inquiry

1. Identify and use visual and graphic aids.
2. Use and evaluate primary and secondary sources as well as technological tools for research and presentation.
3. Identify and use electronic library and media resources.
4. Identify and create artifacts.
5. Create maps, timelines, diagrams, and cartoons to enhance studies in civics, history, economics, and geography.
6. Use maps, graphs, statistical data, timelines, charts and diagrams to interpret, draw conclusions, make predictions, and communicate information.
7. Distinguish between fact and opinion and recognize bias and points of view.
8. Identify, research, and defend a point of view/position.
9. Use inference in the analysis of primary and secondary source documents.
10. Compare and contrast various events, ideas, and people found in American History.