

MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES



6TH GRADE

7TH GRADE

8TH GRADE

MR. PIERCE 6TH -8TH

A NEW LOOK INTO HISTORY, GEOGRAPHY AND CIVICS AT A LOCAL AND GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE.



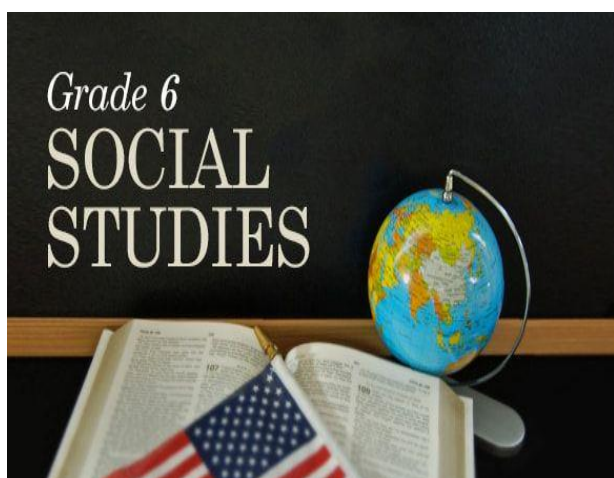
This year, your scholars will embark on a journey through our state's, countries' and planets history and geography. Each grade will focus specifically on its own specific area of our world.

The 6th grade scholars will investigate into Minnesota's great geography and rich history. The 7th grade will expand its boundaries to learning about the United States history and geography and politics. The 8th grade will take it to the global perspective, learning about each of the world's geography, civilizations, religions and history.

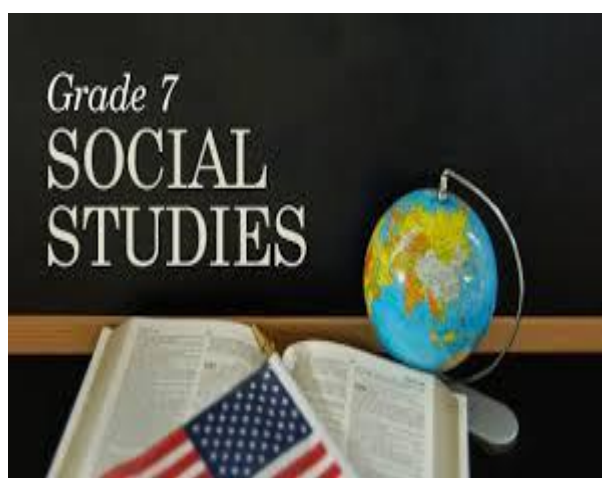
The curriculum being used this year in 6th grade is a curriculum purchased from the Historical Society of Minnesota called "Northern Lights." This is an interactive lesson that teaches our 6th grade to each of the Minnesota State Standards. Each student will receive a student addition copy of the Northern Lights curriculum.

Both 7th and 8th grade students will receive their instruction through teacher created standard based instruction. Purchased materials and books will be utilized through the year to ensure each standard is discussed and mastered.

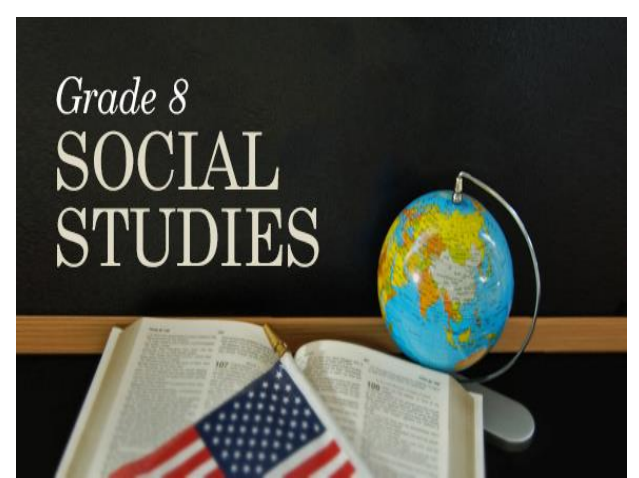
Below you can find more information regarding some of the standards and topics that will be discussed, in each grade this year.



Minnesota Geography and History Skills, Origin Peoples to Minnesota, Minnesota Wars, Industrial Minnesota, Minnesota Economics History, Modern Minnesota, Immigration, Government and Citizenship and Current State Economics.



- * Declaration of Independence* Preamble to the Constitution
- * Louisiana Purchase
- * Oregon Trail * Steam Engine
- * Railroad * Underground Railroad
- * Civil War * Reconstruction
- * 13th, 14th, 15th Amendment
- * Industrial Revolution
- * Great Depression * Economic collapse
- * New Deal * World War II * Holocaust



Creation and use of maps throughout the world, economic connections of the United States, Mexico, and Canada, industrial revolution of Latin America and the world, Political and Economics of Africa South of the Sahara, market economy of Southwest Asia/ North Africa, Religious beliefs of Asia, environmental features of Australia and Oceania, along with Global Issues and a Model UN.

