

Cherokee County School District
Social Studies Georgia Standards of Excellence
8th Grade Social Studies GSE Pacing Guide

8 th Grade GSE Standards		8 th Grade Teacher Notes	8 th Grade Curriculum Map
First 9 Weeks			
Unit 1: Connecting Themes		Unit 2: Geography of Georgia and the American Indians	Unit 3: Exploration and Colonization
NA		SS8G1a, b, c; SS8H1a	SS8G1d; SS8H1b, c; SS8H2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Belief and Ideals - Conflict and Change - Conflict Resolution - Distribution of Power - Individuals, Groups, and Institutions - Location - Movement and Migration - Production, Distribution, and Consumption - Rule of Law - Technological Innovation 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Characteristics of the American Indians in GA (H1a) - Location of Georgia (G1a) - Impact of Georgia's geography and climate on development (G1b) - Georgia's geographic regions and features (G1b) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Importance of water in Georgia's historical development and economic growth (G1d) - Reasons for European exploration and settlement (H1b) - Impact of Spanish contact on American Indians (H1c) - Roles of important individuals in Georgia's beginnings (H2) - Impacts of diverse cultures on the development of Georgia (H2) - Georgia's transformation from a Trustee Colony to a Royal Colony (H2)

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Second 9 Weeks	
Unit 4: Statehood	Unit 5: The Civil War
SS8H3; SS8H4; SS8E2a, c	SS8H5; SS8H6; SS8E2c
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Causes of American Revolution and impact on Georgia (H3) - Georgia's role in the American Revolution (H3) - Interpretation of the Declaration of Independence (H3) - Weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation and how it led to the new Constitution (H3) - Influential people of the era (H4) - Reasons for establishment of University of Georgia and the movement of Georgia's capitals (H4) - Expansion of Georgia/Land Policies/Trail of Tears (H4) - Technological developments and the impact on the growth of Georgia (H4) - Incentives for entrepreneurs (E2a) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Various forms of legislation add to civil unrest (H5) - Significant events of the Civil War (H5) - Influential people of the time period (H5 & H6) - Significant events and legislative action during Reconstruction (H6) - Groups that affected Reconstruction (H6) - Significance of technological advancement on Georgia (E2c)

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Third 9 Weeks			
Unit 6: The New South	Unit 7: The 20 th Century	Unit 8: Post WWII Georgia	Unit 9: Civil Rights
SS8H7; SS8E2c	SS8H8; SS8H9	SS8H10; SS8E1a; SS8E2b, c	SS8H11
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conflict of political and societal ideals among significant groups (H7) - Political and societal segregation of races (H7) - Significant people and their contributions to develop an industrialized Georgia (H7) - Influential Civil Rights leaders (H7) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reasons for WWI and Georgia's contributions (H8) - The Great Depression (H8) - New Deal influence on government (H8) - Political figures significance to this era (H8 & H9) - Key events leading to WWII (H9) - Impact of bases and industry related to WWII (H9) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Impact of technology on agriculture (H10) - Impact of significant figures on growth of Georgia (H10) - Impact of political and social changes of Atlanta (H10b) - Post WWII racial politics (H10c) - Major transportation systems impact Georgia globally (E1a) - Influence of entrepreneurs to Georgia's economy (E2b) - Impact of changes in Georgia's agriculture and technology (E2c) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Impact of major developments in Civil Rights from the 1940's - 1950's (H11) - Impact of major developments in Civil Rights from the 1960's - 1970's (H11) - Impact of significant individuals and organizations during this era (H11)

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Fourth 9 Weeks			
Unit 10: Modern Georgia	Unit 11: State and Local Government	Unit 12: Adult and Juvenile Justice System	Unit 13: Personal Finance
SS8H12; SS8E1	SS8CG1; SS8CG2; SS8CG3; SS8CG4; SS8CG6	SS8CG5	SS8E3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Key influential people and their impact on Georgia (H12) - Significance of Jimmy Carter in state and national politics (H12) - Impact of the 1996 Olympics (H12) - Impact of Georgia's role to global economics (H12) - Impact of the four transportation systems to Georgia's economy (E1) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Structure and function of state and local governments (CG1, CG2, CG3, CG4, CG6) - Roles and responsibilities of citizens with regard to state and local government (CG1) - Differentiate between civil and criminal law (CG4) - Structure and function of the courts (CG4) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Differentiate between delinquent and unruly behavior (CG5a) - Rights of juveniles in the justice system (CG5b) - Juvenile justice process (CG5c) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Importance of personal financial management (E3) - Understanding different components of personal financial management (E3)