

Proposed K-8 Social Studies TEKS Framework

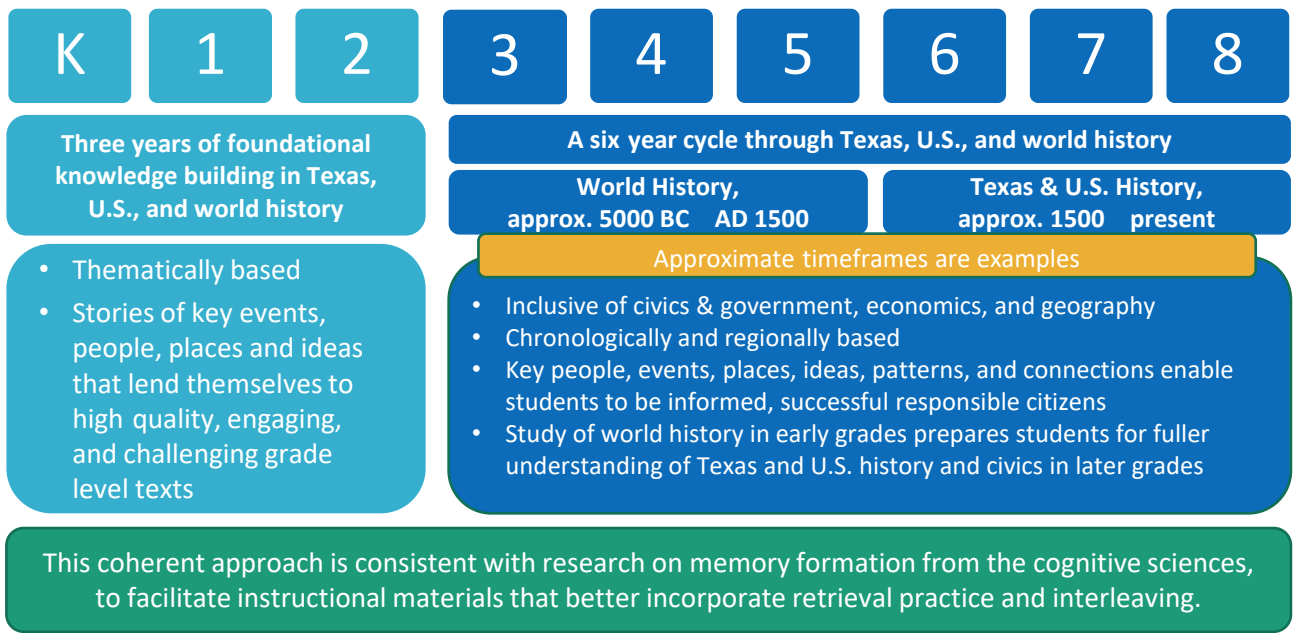
The SBOE is revising the social studies TEKS. TEKS review work groups will be appointed to make recommendations for revisions to the Kindergarten-Grade 8 TEKS and will determine the following:

- Themes to be addressed at kindergarten, grade 1, and grade 2 and specific student expectations aligned to those themes
- Timeframe to be addressed in each grade, 3-8, as well as specific student expectations

Recommendations for each grade level must include the following strands:

1. civics & government
2. economics
3. geography
4. history (including Texas, U.S., and world to the extent appropriate)

Revised social studies TEKS would be organized in the following framework:



A revised K-8 framework would

1. Add more content knowledge in kindergarten-grade 2 will result in more emphasis on historical facts through stories of key people, places, events, and ideas in order to improve the ability of students to remember this key background knowledge as they proceed to high school
2. Coherently cover key people, places, events, and ideas in Texas, U.S., and world history across grades 3-8 will result in more content organized chronologically and geographically in ways that more fully establish the ability of students to identify and remember causes and effects related to major historical people, events, and ideas across approximately 7000 years of world, U.S., and Texas history

Opportunities to **provide feedback** on the proposed social studies TEKS:

- Oral testimony on **May 16, 2022** (visit <https://tea.texas.gov/about-tea/leadership/state-board-of-education/sboe-meetings/public-testimony-registration> on May 12 and 13 to register)
- Oral testimony at a public hearing during a July 2022 SBOE meeting
- Oral testimony at a public hearing during the September 2022 SBOE meeting
- Written feedback on drafts to be posted on the TEA website following completion of each draft
- Written feedback during official public comment period between the September and November 2022 meetings

To follow the TEKS review process and view drafts throughout the process, visit the 2021-2022 Social Studies TEKS Review webpage at <https://tea.texas.gov/academics/curriculum-standards/teks-review/2021-2022-social-studies-teks-review>

Anticipated Implementation Timeline and Support

The revised social studies standards are scheduled to be implemented no earlier than 2025. The SBOE can decide on a later implementation date if more time is needed to prepare for implementation.

The SBOE can establish a staggered implementation if necessary and appropriate.

If the revised social studies TEKS are implemented in 2025, the following steps would be taken:

November 2022	SBOE adopts revised social studies TEKS
April 2023	SBOE issues Proclamation 2025 call for social studies instructional materials
January 2024	*Civics training programs and other social studies professional development are implemented
Summer 2024	Social studies TEKS Guide made available to all educators (free resource)
November 2024	SBOE adopts social studies instructional materials
April 2025	Teacher assignment rules are updated
SY 2025-26	Revised social studies TEKS are implemented
SY 2026-27	STAAR assesses new social studies TEKS

The following steps will also be taken (dates to be determined):

- Educator certification assessments will be adjusted to align to the revised TEKS.
- Educator preparation programs will make adjustments to support preparation of pre-service teachers.

*As a first step, the Legislature has appropriated \$14.6 million to support training for teachers and campus administrators.