

Work Group E Draft Recommendations
Social Studies, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills
Elementary, Kindergarten – Grade 5

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These recommendations reflect changes to the social studies Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for kindergarten–grade 5 that have been recommended by State Board of Education’s TEKS streamlining Work Group E as of August 4, 2018. Work Group E is scheduled to reconvene in late August and may make additional changes to the recommendations before finalizing.

Proposed deletions are shown in red font with strikethroughs (~~deletions~~). Text proposed to be moved from its current student expectation is shown in purple, italicized font with strikethrough (~~*moved text*~~) and is shown in the proposed new location in purple, italicized font with underlines (*new text location*). Recommendations to clarify language are shown in blue font with double underlines (clarifying language). Additions made as technical edits are shown in green font with underlines (technical edits).

Comments identified on the left-hand side link to footnotes at the bottom of each page for Work Group E’s proposed changes. Changes to previous work groups’ proposed changes are highlighted and explained in the comments. Work Group E estimated the amount of instructional time that would be reduced or added based on their recommendations. The changes to instructional time are provided in minutes after each comment in brackets.

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§113.11. Social Studies, Kindergarten, Adopted 2018 [~~Beginning with School Year 2011-2012~~].

(a) Introduction.

- (1) In Kindergarten, the study of the self, home, family, and classroom establishes the foundation for responsible citizenship in society. Students explore state and national heritage by examining the celebration of patriotic holidays and the contributions of individuals. The concept of chronology is introduced. Students apply geographic concepts of location and physical and human characteristics of place. Students identify basic human needs and ways people meet these needs. Students learn the purpose of rules and the role of authority figures in the home and school. Students learn customs, symbols, and celebrations that represent American beliefs and principles and contribute to our national identity. Students compare family customs and traditions and describe examples of technology in the home and school. Students acquire information from a variety of oral and visual sources. Students practice problem-solving, decision-making, and independent-thinking skills.
- (2) To support the teaching of the essential knowledge and skills, the use of a variety of rich material is encouraged. Motivating resources are available from museums, historical sites, presidential libraries, and local and state preservation societies.
- (3) The eight strands of the essential knowledge and skills for social studies are intended to be integrated for instructional purposes. Skills listed in the social studies skills strand in subsection (b) of this section should be incorporated into the teaching of all essential knowledge and skills for social studies. A greater depth of understanding of complex content material can be attained when integrated social studies content from the various disciplines and critical-thinking skills are taught together. Statements that contain the word "including" reference content that must be mastered, while those containing the phrase "such as" are intended as possible illustrative examples.
- (4) Students identify the role of the U.S. free enterprise system within the parameters of this course and understand that this system may also be referenced as capitalism or the free market system.
- (5) Throughout social studies in Kindergarten-Grade 12, students build a foundation in history; geography; economics; government; citizenship; culture; science, technology, and society; and social studies skills. The content, as appropriate for the grade level or course, enables students to understand the importance of patriotism, function in a free enterprise society, and appreciate the basic democratic values of our state and nation as referenced in the Texas Education Code (TEC), §28.002(h).
- (6) Students understand that a constitutional republic is a representative form of government whose representatives derive their authority from the consent of the governed, serve for an established tenure, and are sworn to uphold the constitution.
- (7) Students must demonstrate learning performance related to any federal and state mandates regarding classroom instruction. Although Kindergarten is not required to participate in Celebrate Freedom Week, according to the TEC, §29.907, primary grades lay the foundation for subsequent learning. As a result, Kindergarten Texas essential knowledge and skills include standards related to this patriotic observance.
- (8) Students identify and discuss how the actions of U.S. citizens and the local, state, and federal governments have either met or failed to meet the ideals espoused in the founding documents.

(b) Knowledge and skills.

- (1) History. The student understands that holidays are celebrations of special events. The student is expected to:
 - (A) ~~identify~~ ~~explain the reasons for~~ national patriotic holidays such as Constitution Day, Presidents' Day, Veterans Day, and Independence Day; and
 - (B) identify customs associated with national patriotic holidays such as parades and fireworks on Independence Day.

- Comment**¹(2) History. The student understands how historical figures ~~, patriots, and good citizens~~ helped shape the ~~community~~, state ~~,~~ and nation. The student is expected to ~~:~~
- Comment**²(A) identify contributions of historical figures ~~and good citizens~~, including Stephen F. Austin, George Washington, ~~and Christopher Columbus~~, ~~and José Antonio Navarro~~, who helped to shape the ~~community~~, state ~~,~~ and nation ~~. ; and~~
- Comment**³(B) ~~identify contributions of patriots and good citizens who have shaped the community.~~
- Comment**⁴(3) ~~History. The student understands the concept of chronology. The student is expected to:~~
- Comment**⁵ (A) ~~place vents in chronological order; and~~
(B) ~~use vocabulary related to time and chronology, including before, after, next, first, last, yesterday, today, and tomorrow.~~
- (3)(4) Geography. The student understands the concept of location. The student is expected to:
- (A) use spatial terms, including over, under, near, far, left, and right, to describe relative location;
- (B) locate places on the school campus and describe their relative locations; and
- (C) identify and explore geographic tools that aid in determining location, including maps and globes.
- (4)(5) Geography. The student understands physical and human characteristics of place to better understand self, home, family, classroom, and the world around them. The student is expected to:
- (A) identify the physical characteristics of place such as landforms, bodies of water, Earth's natural resources, and weather; and
- Comment**⁶(B) identify how geographic location influences ~~the~~ human characteristics of place such as ways of earning a living, shelter, clothing, food, and activities ~~are based upon~~ geographic location .
- Comment**⁷(5)(6) Economics. The student understands ~~that~~ the difference between basic human needs and wants and how they are met ~~in many ways~~ . The student is expected to:
- (A) identify basic human needs of food, clothing, and shelter;
- (B) explain the difference between needs and wants; and
- Comment**⁸(C) explain how basic human needs and wants can be met ~~such as through self-producing, purchasing, and trading~~ .

¹ Deleting because “patriot” is not grade level appropriate, deleting “good citizen” it does not fit with this historical strand. Citizenship is not introduced until Grade 1 in 13A. Deleting “community” because the historical figures are not community specific. It would not be appropriate to list specific community historical figures for all communities at this grade

² WG reinstated Columbus in response to public feedback because he is a better fit for Kindergarten than 3rd or 5th grades. For many, Columbus is a school holiday, so it is the perfect opportunity to learn about him. Navarro 30 minutes; Columbus +30 minutes

³ See comment 1 regarding patriot, good citizen, and community. 30 minutes

⁴ Deleting the KS because it is a skill and moving the SE to Kindergarten 15. VA

⁵ Moving to 3A and 3B to 15A. VA no time change

⁶ WG agrees with previous WG responses to SBOE comments to not include ways of earning a living based on geographic location is not grade level appropriate.

⁷ Aligned with revisions to SE 6C.

⁸ Deleted such as in response to SBOE comment and for additional streamlining. 45 minutes

~~(6)(7)~~ Economics. The student understands the value of jobs. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify jobs in the home, school, and community; and
- (B) explain why people have jobs.

~~(7)(8)~~ Government. The student understands the purpose of rules. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify purposes for having rules; and
- (B) identify rules that provide order, security, and safety in the home and school.

~~(8)(9)~~ Government. The student understands the role of authority figures. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify authority figures in the home, school, and community; and

Comment⁹(B) explain how authority figures ~~make and~~ enforce rules.

~~(9)(10)~~ Citizenship. The student understands important symbols, customs, and responsibilities that represent American beliefs and principles and contribute to our national identity. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify the ~~flags of the~~ United States flag and the Texas state flag ;
- (B) recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Pledge to the Texas Flag; and

Comment¹⁰~~(C) — identify Constitution Day as a celebration of American freedom; and~~

- ~~(C)(D)~~ use voting as a method for group decision making.

~~(10)(11)~~ Culture. The student understands similarities and differences among individuals ~~people~~ . The student is expected to :

- ~~(A)~~ identify similarities and differences among individuals ~~people~~ such as kinship ~~, laws,~~ and religion ~~;~~ and

Comment¹¹~~(B) — identify similarities and differences among people such as music, clothing, and food.~~

~~(11)(12)~~ Culture. The student understands the importance of family ~~customs and~~ traditions. The student is expected to:

Comment¹²(A) describe and explain the importance of family ~~customs and~~ traditions such as music, clothing, and food ; and

- (B) compare family ~~customs and~~ traditions among families .

~~(12)(13)~~ Science, technology, and society. The student understands ways technology is used in the home and school and how technology affects people's lives. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify examples of technology used in the home and school;
- (B) describe how technology helps accomplish specific tasks and meet people's needs; and
- (C) describe how his or her life might be different without modern technology.

⁹ How authority figures make rules is not grade level appropriate. 15 minutes

¹⁰ In response to SBOE comment, WG added Constitution Day to 1A. +30 minutes

¹¹ Deleted because it is a such as list and not needed. "Identify similarities and differences among individuals" is already addressed in 11A.

¹² Didn't agree with the WGs recommendation to move "music, clothing, and food" to because those aren't always considered traditions.

Comment ¹³~~(13)~~~~(14)~~ Social studies skills. The student applies critical-thinking skills to organize and use information acquired from a variety of valid sources, including ~~digital~~ ~~electronic~~ technology. The student is expected to:

- (A) ~~gather~~ ~~obtain~~ information about a topic using a variety of valid oral sources such as conversations, interviews, and music;

Comment ¹⁴(B) ~~gather~~ ~~obtain~~ information about a topic using a variety of valid visual sources such as pictures, symbols, ~~digital~~ ~~electronic~~ media, print material, and artifacts; and

- (C) sequence and categorize information.

~~(14)~~~~(15)~~ Social studies skills. The student communicates in oral and visual forms. The student is expected to:

Comment ¹⁵(A) place events in chronological order; and

(B) use social studies terminology correctly vocabulary related to time and chronology, including before, after, next, first, last, yesterday, today, and tomorrow :-

~~(C)~~~~(A)~~ express ideas orally based on knowledge and experiences; and

~~(D)~~~~(B)~~ create and interpret visuals, including pictures and maps.

~~(15)~~~~(16)~~ Social studies skills. The student uses problem-solving and decision-making skills, working independently and with others ~~, in a variety of settings~~ . The student is expected to:

- (A) use a problem-solving process to identify a problem, gather information, list and consider options, consider advantages and disadvantages, choose and implement a solution, and evaluate the effectiveness of the solution; and

- (B) use a decision-making process to identify a situation that requires a decision, gather information, generate options, predict outcomes, take action to implement a decision, and reflect on the effectiveness of the decision.

¹³ In response to SBOE Comment. VA

¹⁴ In response to SBOE Comment. VA

¹⁵ Added to VA with language in other grade levels.

§113.12. Social Studies, Grade 1, Adopted 2018 [~~Beginning with School Year 2011-2012~~].

(a) Introduction.

- (1) In Grade 1, students study their relationship to the classroom, school, and community to establish the foundation for responsible citizenship in society. Students develop concepts of time and chronology by distinguishing among past, present, and future events. Students identify anthems and mottoes of the United States and Texas. Students create simple maps to identify the location of places in the classroom, school, and community. Students explore the concepts of goods and services and the value of work. Students identify individuals who exhibit good citizenship. Students describe the importance of family customs and traditions and identify how technology has changed family life. Students sequence and categorize information. Students practice problem-solving, decision-making, and independent-thinking skills.
- (2) To support the teaching of the essential knowledge and skills, the use of a variety of rich material is encouraged. Motivating resources are available from museums, historical sites, presidential libraries, and local and state preservation societies.
- (3) The eight strands of the essential knowledge and skills for social studies are intended to be integrated for instructional purposes. Skills listed in the social studies skills strand in subsection (b) of this section should be incorporated into the teaching of all essential knowledge and skills for social studies. A greater depth of understanding of complex content material can be attained when integrated social studies content from the various disciplines and critical-thinking skills are taught together. Statements that contain the word "including" reference content that must be mastered, while those containing the phrase "such as" are intended as possible illustrative examples.
- (4) Students identify the role of the U.S. free enterprise system within the parameters of this course and understand that this system may also be referenced as capitalism or the free market system.
- (5) Throughout social studies in Kindergarten-Grade 12, students build a foundation in history; geography; economics; government; citizenship; culture; science, technology, and society; and social studies skills. The content, as appropriate for the grade level or course, enables students to understand the importance of patriotism, function in a free enterprise society, and appreciate the basic democratic values of our state and nation as referenced in the Texas Education Code (TEC), §28.002(h).
- (6) Students understand that a constitutional republic is a representative form of government whose representatives derive their authority from the consent of the governed, serve for an established tenure, and are sworn to uphold the constitution.
- (7) Students must demonstrate learning performance related to any federal and state mandates regarding classroom instruction. Although Grade 1 is not required to participate in Celebrate Freedom Week, according to the TEC, §29.907, primary grades lay the foundation for subsequent learning. As a result, Grade 1 Texas essential knowledge and skills include standards related to this patriotic observance.
- (8) Students identify and discuss how the actions of U.S. citizens and the local, state, and federal governments have either met or failed to meet the ideals espoused in the founding documents.

(b) Knowledge and skills.

- (1) History. The student understands the origins of customs, holidays, and celebrations. The student is expected to:
 - (A) describe the origins of customs, holidays, and celebrations of the community, state, and nation such as Constitution Day, ~~San Jacinto Day~~, Independence Day, and Veterans Day; and
 - (B) compare the observance of holidays and celebrations ~~, -past and present~~.

- Comment** ¹(2) History. The student understands how historical figures ~~-, patriots, and good citizens~~ helped shape the ~~community~~, state ~~;~~ and nation. The student is expected to:
- Comment** ²(A) identify contributions of historical figures, including ~~Sam Houston~~, George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, and Martin Luther King Jr., who have influenced the ~~community~~, state ~~;~~ and nation; ~~and~~
- Comment** ³(B) ~~identify historical figures such as Alexander Graham Bell, Thomas Edison, Garrett Morgan, and Richard Allen, and other individuals who have exhibited individualism and inventiveness; and~~
- Comment** ⁴(B)(C) compare ~~the similarities and differences among~~ the lives ~~and activities~~ of historical figures ~~and other individuals~~ who have influenced the ~~community~~, state, and nation.
- ~~**Comment** ⁵(3) History. The student understands the concepts of time and chronology. The student is expected to:~~
- ~~**Comment** ⁶(A) ~~distinguish among past, present, and future;~~~~
- ~~(B) ~~use describe and measure calendar time in by days, weeks, months, and years. ; and~~~~
- ~~(C) ~~create a calendar and simple timeline.~~~~
- ~~(3)(4) Geography. The student understands the relative location of places. The student is expected to:~~
- ~~(B)(A) locate places using the four cardinal directions ~~;~~ and~~
- ~~(A)(B) describe the location of self and objects relative to other locations in the classroom and school ~~using spatial terms ; ; and~~~~
- ~~(4)(5) Geography. The student understands the purpose of ~~geographic tools, including~~ maps and globes. The student is expected to:~~
- ~~(A) create and use simple maps such as maps of the home, classroom, school, and community; and~~
- ~~(B) locate ~~and explore~~ the community, Texas, and the United States on maps and globes.~~
- ~~(5)(6) Geography. The student understands ~~various~~ physical and human characteristics ~~of place to better understand their community and the world around them~~. The student is expected to:~~
- ~~(A) identify and describe the physical characteristics of place such as landforms, bodies of water, ~~Earth's natural~~ resources, and weather; ~~and~~~~
- ~~(B) ~~identify examples of and uses for natural resources in the community, state, and nation; and~~~~
- ~~(B)(C) identify and describe how ~~geographic location influences~~ the human characteristics of place such as shelter, clothing, food, and activities ~~are based upon geographic location~~.~~
- ~~(6)(7) Economics. The student understands how families meet basic human needs. The student is expected to:~~
- ~~(A) describe ways that families meet basic human needs; and~~

¹ Deleting because “patriot” is not grade level appropriate, deleting “good citizen” it does not fit with this historical strand. Good citizens are addressed in the citizenship strand (12B).

² In agreement with previous WG response to SBOE Comment to delete. Deleting “community” because the historical figures are not community specific. It would not be appropriate to list specific community historical figures for all communities at this grade. 30 minutes

³ Moved inventors to science, technology, and society strand. VA

⁴ Streamlined: comparing activities is not grade level appropriate. 30 minutes

⁵ Deleting the KS because it is a skill and moving the SE to 18. VA

⁶ Moved SEs to 18. VA no time change

(B) describe similarities and differences in ways families meet basic human needs.

~~(7)~~⁽⁸⁾ Economics. The student understands the concepts of goods and services. The student is expected to:

(A) identify examples of goods and services in the home, school, and community;

(B) identify ways people exchange goods and services; and

(C) identify the role of markets in the exchange of goods and services.

~~(8)~~⁽⁹⁾ Economics. The student understands the condition of not being able to have all the goods and services one wants. The student is expected to:

(A) identify examples of people wanting more than they can have;

(B) explain why wanting more than they can have requires that people make choices; and

(C) identify examples of choices families make when buying goods and services.

~~(9)~~⁽¹⁰⁾ Economics. The student understands the value of work. The student is expected to:

Comment ⁷(A) describe the ~~components~~ tools of various jobs and the characteristics of a job well performed; and

Comment ⁸(B) describe how ~~specialized~~ various jobs contribute to the production of goods and services.

~~(10)~~⁽¹¹⁾ Government. The student understands the purpose of rules and laws. The student is expected to:

(A) explain the purpose for rules and laws in the home, school, and community; and

(B) identify rules and laws that establish order, provide security, and manage conflict.

Comment ⁹~~(11)~~⁽¹²⁾ Government. The student understands the role of authority figures ~~;~~ and public officials ~~;~~ and ~~citizens~~. The student is expected to:

(A) identify the responsibilities of authority figures in the home, school, and community; and

(B) identify and describe the roles of public officials in the community, state, and nation ~~;~~ and

~~(C) identify and describe the role of a good citizen in maintaining a constitutional republic.~~

~~(12)~~⁽¹³⁾ Citizenship. The student understands characteristics of good citizenship as exemplified by historical figures and other individuals. The student is expected to:

(A) identify characteristics of good citizenship, including truthfulness, justice, equality, respect for oneself and others, responsibility in daily life, and participation in government by educating oneself about the issues, respectfully holding public officials to their word, and voting; and

(B) identify historical figures and other individuals who have exemplified good citizenship such as Benjamin Franklin ~~;~~ Francis Scott Key; and Eleanor Roosevelt who have exemplified good citizenship ~~;~~ and

~~(C) identify other individuals who exemplify good citizenship.~~

~~(13)~~⁽¹⁴⁾ Citizenship. The student understands important symbols, customs, and celebrations that represent American beliefs and principles and contribute to our national identity. The student is expected to:

(A) explain state and national patriotic symbols, including the United States and Texas flags, the Liberty Bell, the Statue of Liberty, and the Alamo;

⁷ Clarifying what components are grade level appropriate.

⁸ Simplifying language to be more grade level appropriate.

⁹ Citizenship addressed in 13 and 14.

- Comment** ¹⁰(B) recite ~~and explain the meaning of~~ the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Pledge to the Texas Flag;
- (C) identify anthems and mottoes of Texas and the United States;
- (D) explain and practice voting as a way of making choices and decisions; and
- (E) explain how patriotic customs and celebrations reflect American individualism and freedom ~~;~~ ~~and~~

Comment ¹¹~~(F)~~ ~~identify Constitution Day as a celebration of American freedom.~~

~~(14)~~(15) Culture. The student understands the importance of family and community beliefs, ~~customs~~, language, and traditions. The student is expected to:

- (A) describe and explain the importance of ~~various~~ beliefs, ~~customs~~, language, and traditions of families and communities; and

Comment ¹²(B) explain the way folktales and legends ~~such as Aesop's fables~~ reflect beliefs, ~~customs~~, language, and traditions of communities.

~~(15)~~(16) Science, technology, and society. The student understands how technology affects daily life, past and present. The student is expected to:

- (A) describe how technology has affected ~~changes~~ the ways families live; and
- (B) describe how technology has affected ~~changes~~ communication, transportation, and recreation ~~;~~ ~~and~~

~~(C)~~ ~~describe how technology changes the way people work.~~

Comment ¹³(16) Science, technology, and society. The student identifies individuals who created or invented new technology that affected daily life. The student is expected to identify scientists and inventors such as Alexander Graham Bell, Thomas Edison, and Garrett Morgan, and their contributions.

(17) Social studies skills. The student applies critical-thinking skills to organize and use information acquired from a variety of valid sources, including digital ~~electronic~~ technology. The student is expected to:

- (A) gather ~~obtain~~ information about a topic using a variety of valid oral sources such as conversations, interviews, and music;

Comment ¹⁴(B) gather ~~obtain~~ information about a topic using a variety of valid visual sources such as pictures, symbols, digital ~~electronic~~ media, maps, literature, and artifacts; and

- (C) sequence and categorize information.

Comment ¹⁵(18) Social studies skills. The student communicates in oral, visual, and written forms. The student is expected to:

(A) use a simple timeline to distinguish among past, present, and future;

(B) use a calendar to describe and measure ~~calendar~~ time in ~~by~~ days, weeks, months, and years; ~~and~~

~~(C)~~(A) express ideas orally based on knowledge and experiences; and

~~(D)~~(B) create and interpret visual and written material.

¹⁰ Not grade level appropriate. In Grade 2 the SE is recite. 30 minutes

¹¹ In response to SBOE Comment. + 30

¹² Agree with previous WG response to SBOE Comment.

¹³ Created a new KS to include inventors in the science, technology, and society strand. VA 45 minutes

¹⁴ In response to SBOE Comment. VA

¹⁵ VA move to social studies skills strand. no time change

Comment ¹⁶(E) use social studies terminology correctly.

- (19) Social studies skills. The student uses problem-solving and decision-making skills, working independently and with others, ~~in a variety of settings~~. The student is expected to:
- (A) use a problem-solving process to identify a problem, gather information, list and consider options, consider advantages and disadvantages, choose and implement a solution, and evaluate the effectiveness of the solution; and
 - (B) use a decision-making process to identify a situation that requires a decision, gather information, generate options, predict outcomes, take action to implement a decision, and reflect on the effectiveness of that decision.

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¹⁶ Added to align with SE in kindergarten and Grades 3-12. Instructional materials are not a concern because the academic vocabulary is included in all instructional materials. Clarified the expectation of the SE.

§113.13. Social Studies, Grade 2, Adopted 2018 [~~Beginning with School Year 2011-2012~~].

(a) Introduction.

- (1) In Grade 2, students focus on a study of their local community by examining the impact of significant individuals and events on the history of the community as well as on the state and nation. Students begin to develop the concepts of time and chronology. The relationship between the physical environment and human activities is introduced as are the concepts of consumers and producers. Students identify functions of government as well as services provided by the local government. Students continue to acquire knowledge of customs, symbols, and celebrations that represent American beliefs and principles. Students identify the significance of works of art in the local community and explain how technological innovations have changed transportation and communication. Students communicate what they have learned in written, oral, and visual forms.
- (2) To support the teaching of the essential knowledge and skills, the use of a variety of rich material such as nonfiction texts, primary sources, biographies, folklore, poetry, songs, and artworks is encouraged. Motivating resources are available from museums, historical sites, presidential libraries, online tours, and local and state preservation societies.
- (3) The eight strands of the essential knowledge and skills for social studies are intended to be integrated for instructional purposes. Skills listed in the social studies skills strand in subsection (b) of this section should be incorporated into the teaching of all essential knowledge and skills for social studies. A greater depth of understanding of complex content material can be attained when integrated social studies content from the various disciplines and critical-thinking skills are taught together. Statements that contain the word "including" reference content that must be mastered, while those containing the phrase "such as" are intended as possible illustrative examples.
- (4) Students identify the role of the U.S. free enterprise system within the parameters of this course and understand that this system may also be referenced as capitalism or the free market system.
- (5) Throughout social studies in Kindergarten-Grade 12, students build a foundation in history; geography; economics; government; citizenship; culture; science, technology, and society; and social studies skills. The content, as appropriate for the grade level or course, enables students to understand the importance of patriotism, function in a free enterprise society, and appreciate the basic democratic values of our state and nation as referenced in the Texas Education Code (TEC), §28.002(h).
- (6) Students understand that a constitutional republic is a representative form of government whose representatives derive their authority from the consent of the governed, serve for an established tenure, and are sworn to uphold the constitution.
- (7) Students must demonstrate learning performance related to any federal and state mandates regarding classroom instruction. Although Grade 2 is not required to participate in Celebrate Freedom Week, according to the TEC, §29.907, primary grades lay the foundation for subsequent learning. As a result, Grade 2 Texas essential knowledge and skills include standards related to this patriotic observance.
- (8) Students identify and discuss how the actions of U.S. citizens and the local, state, and federal governments have either met or failed to meet the ideals espoused in the founding documents.

(b) Knowledge and skills.

- (1) History. The student understands the historical significance of landmarks and celebrations in the community, state, and nation. The student is expected to:
 - (A) explain the significance of various community, state, and national celebrations such as Veterans Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Thanksgiving; and
 - (B) identify and explain the significance of various community, state, and national landmarks such as monuments and government buildings.

- Comment**¹ ~~(2)~~ ~~History. The student understands the concepts of time and chronology. The student is expected to:~~
- Comment**² ~~(A)~~ ~~describe the order of events by using designations of time periods such as historical and present times;~~
- ~~(B)~~ ~~apply vocabulary related to chronology, including past, present, and future; and~~
- ~~(C)~~ ~~create and interpret timelines for events in the past and present.~~
- ~~(3)~~ ~~History. The student understands how various sources provide information about the past and present. The student is expected to:~~
- Comment**³ ~~(A)~~ ~~identify several sources of information about a given period or event such as reference materials, biographies, newspapers, and electronic sources; and~~
- Comment**⁴ ~~(B)~~ ~~use describe various evidence of the same time period using primary sources such as photographs, journals, and interviews to discuss events from a given time period.~~
- ~~(2)~~~~(4)~~ History. The student understands how historical figures, patriots, and good citizens helped shape the community, state, and nation. The student is expected to:
- (A) identify contributions of historical figures, including Thurgood Marshall, Irma Rangel, John Hancock, and Theodore Roosevelt, who have influenced the community, state, and nation;
- Comment**⁵ (B) identify historical figures such as Amelia Earhart, W. E. B. DuBois, Robert Fulton, and George Washington Carver who have exhibited individualism and inventiveness; and
- Comment**⁶ (C) discuss explain how people and events have influenced local community history.
- ~~(3)~~~~(5)~~ Geography. The student uses simple geographic tools including such as maps and globes. The student is expected to:
- Comment**⁷ (A) identify and use interpret information on maps and globes using basic map elements such as title, cardinal directions orientation (north, south, east, west), and legend/map keys; and
- (B) create maps to show places and routes within the home, school, and community.
- ~~(4)~~~~(6)~~ Geography. The student understands the location locations and characteristics of places and regions in their the community, state, country, and nation and the world. The student is expected to:
- (A) identify major landforms and bodies of water, including each of the seven continents and each of the four oceans, on maps and globes; and
- (B) locate places of significance, including the local community, Texas, the United States, the state capital, the U.S. capital, major cities in Texas, the coast of Texas, and the bordering countries of Canada, and Mexico, and the United States on maps and globes; and
- ~~(C)~~ ~~examine information from various sources about places and regions.~~

¹ Deleting the KS because it is a skill and moving the SE to 18. VA [no time change]

² Moved SEs to 18. VA [no time change]

³ Deleted due to redundancy with skills in 18 [30 minutes]

⁴ Not grade level appropriate. Primary sources are introduced in Grade 2 but not talked about again until Grade 4, so closing a gap by deleting in Grade 2. [30 minutes]

⁵ Moved individuals to science, technology, and society strand. VA [no time change]

⁶ Explain is not grade level appropriate for this SE. Students can't explain how people and events have influenced local community history but a teacher can guide a discussion about it. [20 minutes]

⁷ Streamlining academic vocabulary K-Grade 4

- ~~(7)~~ Geography. The student understands how physical characteristics of places and regions affect people's activities and settlement patterns. The student is expected to:
- ~~(A)~~ describe how weather patterns and seasonal patterns affect activities and settlement patterns;
 - ~~(B)~~ describe how natural resources and natural hazards affect activities and settlement patterns;
 - ~~(C)~~ explain how people depend on the physical environment and natural resources to meet basic needs; and
 - ~~(D)~~ identify the characteristics of different communities, including urban, suburban, and rural, and how they affect activities and settlement patterns.

Comment ⁸~~(5)~~⁽⁸⁾ Geography. The student understands how humans use and modify the physical environment **of place**. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify ways in which people have modified the physical environment such as *clearing land*, building roads, ~~clearing land for urban development and~~ agricultural use, and drilling for oil;
- (B) identify ~~positive and negative~~ consequences of human modification of the physical environment ~~such as the use of irrigation to improve crop yields~~; and
- (C) identify ways people can conserve and replenish *Earth's natural* resources.

~~(6)~~⁽⁹⁾ Economics. The student understands the value of work. The student is expected to:

- (A) explain how work provides income to purchase goods and services; and

Comment ⁹(B) explain the choices people in the ~~U.S. free enterprise system~~ can make about earning, spending, and saving money ~~and where to live and work~~.

~~(7)~~⁽¹⁰⁾ Economics. The student understands the roles of producers and consumers in the production of goods and services. The student is expected to:

- (A) distinguish between producing and consuming;
- (B) identify ways in which people are both producers and consumers; and

Comment ¹⁰(C) ~~discuss~~ *examine* the development of a product from a natural resource to a finished product.

~~(8)~~⁽¹¹⁾ Government. The student understands the purpose of governments. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify functions of governments such as establishing order, providing security, and managing conflict;
- (B) identify governmental services in the community such as police and fire protection, libraries, schools, and parks and explain their value to the community; and

Comment ¹¹~~(C)~~ ~~describe how governments tax citizens to pay for services~~.

~~(9)~~⁽¹²⁾ Government. The student understands the role of public officials. The student is expected to:

- (A) name current public officials, including mayor, governor, and president;
- (B) compare the roles of public officials, including mayor, governor, and president;

⁸ Incorrect terminology.

⁹ Free enterprise is in Grade 3 but put into the context teaching the economic system. KS is about the value of work not an economic system. Goes beyond the scope of the SE. [30 minutes]

¹⁰ Discuss is a more grade level appropriate verb for this SE. [20 minutes]

¹¹ Agree with SBOE comment. [45 minutes]

- (C) identify ways that public officials are selected, including election and appointment to office; and
- (D) identify how citizens participate in their own governance through staying informed of what public officials are doing, providing input to them, and volunteering to participate in government functions.

~~(10)~~⁽¹³⁾ Citizenship. The student understands characteristics of good citizenship as exemplified by historical figures and other individuals. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify characteristics of good citizenship, including truthfulness, justice, equality, respect for oneself and others, responsibility in daily life, and participation in government by educating oneself about the issues, respectfully holding public officials to their word, and voting;
- (B) identify historical figures *and other individuals who have exemplified good citizenship* such as Paul Revere, Abigail Adams, ~~World War II Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASPs) and Navajo Code Talkers~~, and Sojourner Truth *who have exemplified good citizenship*; ~~and~~
- ~~(C)~~ *identify other individuals who exemplify good citizenship; and*
- ~~(C)~~^(D) identify ways to actively practice good citizenship, including involvement in community service.

~~(11)~~⁽¹⁴⁾ Citizenship. The student identifies customs, symbols, and celebrations that represent American beliefs and principles that contribute to our national identity. The student is expected to:

- (A) recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Pledge to the Texas Flag;
- (B) identify selected patriotic songs, including "The Star Spangled Banner" and "America the Beautiful"; ~~and~~
- (C) identify ~~selected~~ symbols such as state and national birds and flowers ~~and patriotic symbols such as the U.S. and Texas flags~~ and Uncle Sam; ~~and~~
- ~~(D) identify how selected customs, symbols, and celebrations reflect an American love of individualism, inventiveness, and freedom.~~

Comment ¹²~~(15)~~ ~~Culture. The student understands the significance of works of art in the local community. The student is expected to:~~

- ~~(A) identify examples of local works of art such as selected stories, poems, statues, paintings, or and other forms of expression examples of the local cultural heritage; and~~
- ~~(B) explain the significance of local works of art such as selected stories, poems, statues, paintings, or and other forms of expression examples of the local cultural heritage.~~

Comment ¹³~~(12)~~⁽¹⁶⁾ Culture. The student understands ethnic and/or cultural celebrations *of the local community*. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify the significance of various ethnic and/or cultural celebrations; and
- (B) compare ethnic and/or cultural celebrations.

~~(13)~~⁽¹⁷⁾ Science, technology, and society. The student understands how science and technology have affected life, past and present. The student is expected to:

¹² Disagree with previous WG to focus on local community to differentiate from Grade 3 and agree with SBOE comment, this is covered in Grade 3. [60 minutes]

¹³ Limits instruction to local community. In response to SBOE comment, ethnic and cultural celebrations are important to identify similarities and differences among individuals. [no time change]

- (A) describe how science and technology has affected ~~change~~ communication, transportation, and recreation; and
- (B) explain how science and technology has affected ~~change~~ the ways in which people meet basic needs.

Comment ¹⁴(14) Science, technology, and society. The student identifies individuals who exhibited individualism and inventiveness. The student is expected to *identify individuals who have exhibited individualism and inventiveness such as Amelia Earhart, W. E. B. DuBois, Robert Fulton, and George Washington Carver.*

Comment ¹⁵(15)(18) Social studies skills. The student applies critical-thinking skills to organize and use information acquired from a variety of valid sources, including ~~digital~~ ~~electronic~~ technology. The student is expected to:

- (A) gather ~~obtain~~ information about a topic using a variety of valid oral sources such as conversations, interviews, and music;

Comment ¹⁶(B) gather ~~obtain~~ information about a topic using a variety of valid visual sources such as pictures, maps, ~~digital~~ ~~electronic~~ sources, literature, reference sources, and artifacts;

- (C) use various parts of a source, including the table of contents, glossary, and index, as well as keyword ~~Internet~~ searches to locate information;
- (D) sequence and categorize information; and
- (E) interpret oral, visual, and print material by identifying the main idea, predicting, and comparing and contrasting.

(16)(19) Social studies skills. The student communicates in written, oral, and visual forms. The student is expected to:

Comment ¹⁷(A) describe the order of events by using designations of time periods such as historical and present times;

(B) apply vocabulary related to chronology, including past, present, and future; ~~and~~

Comment ¹⁸(C) create and ~~understand~~ ~~interpret~~ timelines for events in the past and present ;

Comment ¹⁹(D) use social studies terminology correctly;

(E)(A) express ideas orally based on knowledge and experiences; and

(F)(B) create written and visual material such as stories, poems, maps, and graphic organizers to express ideas.

(17)(20) Social studies skills. The student uses problem-solving and decision-making skills, working independently and with others ~~, in a variety of settings~~ . The student is expected to:

- (A) use a problem-solving process to identify a problem, gather information, list and consider options, consider advantages and disadvantages, choose and implement a solution, and evaluate the effectiveness of the solution; and

¹⁴ Created a new KS to include individuals in the science, technology, and society strand. VA [45 minutes]

¹⁵ In response to SBOE comment. VA [no time change]

¹⁶ In response to SBOE comment. VA [no time change]

¹⁷ VA move to social studies skills strand [no time change]

¹⁸ Previous WG recommended verb change to “understand”. This WG disagrees and reinstated “interpret.”

¹⁹ Added to align with SE in kindergarten and Grades 3-12. Instructional materials are not a concern because the academic vocabulary is included in all instructional materials. Clarified the expectation of the SE.

- (B) use a decision-making process to identify a situation that requires a decision, gather information, generate options, predict outcomes, take action to implement a decision, and reflect on the effectiveness of that decision.

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§113.14. Social Studies, Grade 3, Adopted 2018 [~~Beginning with School Year 2011-2012~~].

(a) Introduction.

- (1) In Grade 3, students learn how diverse individuals have changed their communities and world. Students study the effects inspiring heroes have had on communities, past and present. Students learn about the lives of heroic men and women who made important choices, overcame obstacles, sacrificed for the betterment of others, and embarked on journeys that resulted in new ideas, new inventions, new technologies, and new communities. Students expand their knowledge through the identification and study of people who made a difference, influenced public policy and decision making, and participated in resolving issues that are important to all people. Throughout Grade 3, students develop an understanding of the economic, cultural, and scientific contributions made by individuals.
- (2) To support the teaching of the essential knowledge and skills, the use of a variety of rich material such as biographies, founding documents, poetry, songs, and artworks is encouraged. Motivating resources are available from museums, historical sites, presidential libraries, and local and state preservation societies.
- (3) The eight strands of the essential knowledge and skills for social studies are intended to be integrated for instructional purposes. Skills listed in the social studies skills strand in subsection (b) of this section should be incorporated into the teaching of all essential knowledge and skills for social studies. A greater depth of understanding of complex content material can be attained when integrated social studies content from the various disciplines and critical-thinking skills are taught together. Statements that contain the word "including" reference content that must be mastered, while those containing the phrase "such as" are intended as possible illustrative examples.
- (4) Students identify the role of the U.S. free enterprise system within the parameters of this course and understand that this system may also be referenced as capitalism or the free market system.
- (5) Throughout social studies in Kindergarten-Grade 12, students build a foundation in history; geography; economics; government; citizenship; culture; science, technology, and society; and social studies skills. The content, as appropriate for the grade level or course, enables students to understand the importance of patriotism, function in a free enterprise society, and appreciate the basic democratic values of our state and nation as referenced in the Texas Education Code (TEC), §28.002(h).
- (6) Students understand that a constitutional republic is a representative form of government whose representatives derive their authority from the consent of the governed, serve for an established tenure, and are sworn to uphold the constitution.
- (7) State and federal laws mandate a variety of celebrations and observances, including Celebrate Freedom Week.
 - (A) Each social studies class shall include, during Celebrate Freedom Week as provided under the TEC, §29.907, or during another full school week as determined by the board of trustees of a school district, appropriate instruction concerning the intent, meaning, and importance of the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution, including the Bill of Rights, in their historical contexts. The study of the Declaration of Independence must include the study of the relationship of the ideas expressed in that document to subsequent American history, including the relationship of its ideas to the rich diversity of our people as a nation of immigrants, the American Revolution, the formulation of the U.S. Constitution, and the abolitionist movement, which led to the Emancipation Proclamation and the women's suffrage movement.
 - (B) Each school district shall require that, during Celebrate Freedom Week or other week of instruction prescribed under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, students in Grades 3-12 study and recite the following text: "We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights,

that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness--That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed."

- (8) Students identify and discuss how the actions of U.S. citizens and the local, state, and federal governments have either met or failed to meet the ideals espoused in the founding documents.

(b) Knowledge and skills.

- (1) History. The student understands how individuals, events, and ideas have influenced the history of various communities. The student is expected to:

(A) describe how individuals, events, and ideas have changed communities, past and present;

(B) identify individuals, including Pierre-Charles L'Enfant, ~~Benjamin Banneker~~, and Benjamin Franklin, who have helped to shape communities; and

Comment^{1, 2}(C) describe how individuals, including Daniel Boone, ~~Christopher Columbus~~, and the Founding Fathers, and ~~Juan de Oñate~~, have contributed to the expansion of existing communities or to the creation of new communities.

- (2) History. The student understands common characteristics of communities, past and present. The student is expected to:

Comment³(A) identify reasons people have formed communities, including a need for security and laws, religious freedom, ~~law~~, and material well-being;

Comment⁴(B) compare ~~identify~~ ways in which people in the local community and other communities meet their needs for government, education, communication, transportation, and recreation ~~.~~ ~~and~~

~~(C) compare ways in which various other communities meet their needs.~~

Comment⁵~~(3)~~ ~~History. The student understands the concepts of time and chronology. The student is expected to:~~

Comment⁶~~(A)~~ use vocabulary related to chronology, including past, present, and future times;

~~(B) create and interpret timelines. ; and~~

~~(C) apply the terms year, decade, and century to describe historical times;~~

Comment⁷~~(3)(4)~~ Geography. The student understands how humans adapt to and/or modify ~~variations in~~ the physical environment. The student is expected to:

(A) describe similarities and differences ~~and explain variations~~ in the physical environment, including climate, landforms, natural resources, and natural hazards;

(B) identify and compare how people in different communities adapt to or modify the physical environment in which they live such as deserts, mountains, wetlands, and plains; and

¹ Deleting Christopher Columbus is a better fit for Kindergarten because of the celebration of Columbus Day. The WG would like to see a revision; the historical figures listed are difficult to connect to the idea of influencing communities particularly at this grade level. [30 minutes]

² WG agrees with previous WG response to SBOE Comment regarding Juan de Onate not being grade level appropriate and the scarcity of resources for the grade level. [30 minutes]

³ Clarifying that people don't form communities to create laws; laws are created to provide security. [no time change]

⁴ Communication has changed over time as to how people in the community communicate. [+15 minutes]

⁵ Deleting the KS because it is a skill and moving the SE to 18. VA [no time change]

⁶ WG agrees with SBOE Comment that students need time to learn and practice vocabulary and reinstated the SE. Moved SEs to 18 and made additional revisions. VA [no time change]

⁷ Unnecessary wording; creates confusion; clarification of the KS.

Comment ⁸ ~~(C)~~ describe the effects of physical processes such as volcanoes, hurricanes, and earthquakes in shaping the landscape; and

~~(C)~~^(D) describe the effects of human processes such as building new homes, conservation, and pollution in shaping the landscape . ; and

~~(E)~~ — identify and compare the human characteristics of various regions.

~~(4)~~⁽⁵⁾ Geography. The student understands the concepts of location, distance, and direction on maps and globes. The student is expected to:

(A) use cardinal and intermediate directions to locate places on maps and globes ~~such as the Rocky Mountains, the Mississippi River, and Austin, Texas,~~ in relation to the local community;

(B) use a scale to determine the distance between places on maps and globes; and

~~(C)~~ — ~~identify and use the compass rose, grid system, and symbols to locate places on maps and globes; and~~

~~(C)~~^(D) identify, create, and interpret maps of places ~~and regions~~ that contain map elements, including a title, compass rose, legend, scale, and grid system.

Comment ⁹ ~~(5)~~⁽⁶⁾ Economics. The student understands the purposes of earning, spending, and saving, ~~and donating~~ money. The student is expected to:

(A) identify ways of earning, spending, and saving, ~~and donating~~ money; and

(B) create a simple budget that allocates money for spending; and saving, ~~and donating~~.

Comment ¹⁰ ~~(7)~~ — Economics. The student understands the role concept of scarcity in the free enterprise system. The student is expected to:

~~(A)~~ — ~~define and identify examples of scarcity;~~

~~(B)~~ — ~~explain the impact of scarcity on the production, distribution, and consumption of goods and services in the U.S. free enterprise system.; and~~

~~(C)~~ — ~~explain the concept of a free market as it relates to the U.S. free enterprise system.~~

~~(6)~~⁽⁸⁾ Economics. The student understands the concept of the free enterprise system and how businesses operate in the U.S. free enterprise system. The student is expected to:

~~(A)~~ — ~~identify examples of how a simple business operates;~~

~~(A)~~^(B) explain how supply and demand affect the price of a good or service;

~~(B)~~ define and identify examples of scarcity;

(C) explain how the cost of production and selling price affect profits;

Comment ¹¹ ~~(D)~~ — ~~explain how government regulations and taxes impact consumer costs; and~~

⁸ The content of the SE does not match the KS. The content is taught in Science Grade 3 KS 7. [50 minutes]

⁹ WG is not reinstating “donating” because it is covered in Math Grades K – 8 (PFL); looking at the VA the economic factors of earning, saving and spending is significant in Grade 4 in regards to settlements and colonization and does not include donating. [20 minutes]

¹⁰ By combining KS 7 and KS 8 and eliminating 7B (grade level appropriate) it is narrowing the scope of what students need to know regarding the introduction free enterprise system. [30 minutes]

¹¹ The concept of governmental regulation and taxation is not grade level appropriate and taught in high school courses. [60 minutes]

Comment ¹²~~(D)~~~~(E)~~ identify individuals, past and present, including Henry Ford and other entrepreneurs in the community **such as Mary Kay Ash, Wallace Amos, Milton Hershey, and Sam Walton**, who have started new businesses.

~~(7)~~~~(9)~~ Government. The student understands the basic structure and functions of various levels of government. The student is expected to:

- (A) describe the basic structure of government in the local community, state, and nation;
- (B) identify local, state, and national government officials and explain how they are chosen;
- (C) identify services commonly provided by local, state, and national governments;~~and~~

Comment ¹³~~(D)~~ ~~explain how local, state, and national government services are financed.~~

~~(8)~~~~(10)~~ Government. The student understands important ideas in historical documents at various levels of government. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify the purposes of the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution, including the Bill of Rights; and

Comment ¹⁴(B) describe ~~and explain the importance of~~ the concept of "consent of the governed" ~~as it relates to the functions of local, state, and national government.~~

~~(9)~~~~(11)~~ Citizenship. The student understands characteristics of good citizenship as exemplified by historical and contemporary figures. The student is expected to:

Comment ¹⁵~~(A)~~ ~~identify characteristics of good citizenship, such as including truthfulness, justice, equality, respect for oneself and others, responsibility in daily life, and participation in government by educating oneself about the issues, respectfully holding public officials to their word, and voting;~~

Comment ¹⁶~~(A)~~~~(B)~~ identify historical figures such as ~~Helen Keller and~~ Clara Barton and contemporary figures such as Ruby Bridges ~~and military and first responders~~ who exemplify good citizenship; and

Comment ¹⁷~~(B)~~~~(C)~~ identify **and discuss** ~~and explain the importance of~~ individual acts of civic responsibility, including obeying laws, serving the community, serving on a jury, and voting;~~and explain their importance.~~

Comment ¹⁸~~(10)~~~~(12)~~ Citizenship. The student understands the impact of individual and group decisions on communities ~~in a constitutional republic~~. The student is expected to :

- ~~(A)~~ ~~give examples of community changes that result from individual or group decisions;~~
- ~~(B)~~ ~~identify examples of actions individuals and groups can take to improve the community;~~
~~and~~
- ~~(C)~~ identify examples of nonprofit and/or civic organizations such as the Red Cross and explain how they serve the common good.

~~(11)~~~~(13)~~ Culture. The student understands ethnic and/or cultural celebrations of the local community and other communities. The student is expected to:

¹² Reinstating the such as list of entrepreneurs to provide the teachers a list of examples. [+15 minutes]

¹³ The concepts of taxation and government finances are grade level appropriate. [40 minutes]

¹⁴ Consent of the governed at it relates to functions of the government is not grade level appropriate. [40 minutes]

¹⁵ Deleted due to redundancy of the exact SE in Grades 1 and 2. [45 minutes]

¹⁶ Deleted due to WG B rubric recommendation. Helen Keller does not best represent the concept of citizenship. Military and first responders are best represented in KS 14. [40 minutes]

¹⁷ At this grade level discussing the civic responsibilities is more grade level appropriate. [20 minutes]

¹⁸ The concepts are above grade level and would have to be taught in isolation. It is covered in Grade 4 KS 18

- (A) explain the significance of various ethnic and/or cultural celebrations in the local community and other communities; and
- (B) compare ethnic and/or cultural celebrations in the local community with other communities.

~~(12)~~(14) Culture. The student understands the role of heroes in shaping the culture of communities, the state, and the nation. The student is expected to:

Comment ¹⁹(A) identify and describe ~~compare~~ the heroic deeds of state and national heroes and military and first responders; such as including Hector P. Garcia, and James A. Lovell, and the Four Chaplains ~~other individuals such as Harriet Tubman, Juliette Gordon Low, Todd Beamer, Ellen Ochoa, John "Danny" Olivas, and other contemporary heroes~~; and

Comment ²⁰(B) identify and describe ~~analyze~~ the heroic deeds of individuals such as ~~including Harriet Tubman, Todd Beamer, and other contemporary heroes~~ military and first responders such as the Four Chaplains.

~~(13)~~(15) Culture. The student understands the importance of writers and artists to the cultural heritage of communities. The student is expected to:

Comment ²¹(A) discuss ~~identify~~ various individual writers and artists such as Kadir Nelson, Tomie dePaola, and Phillis Wheatley, Carmen Lomas Garza, and Laura Ingalls Wilder and examples of their cultural heritage through their stories, poems, statues, and paintings and other forms of expression examples of cultural heritage from various communities; and

~~(B) explain the significance of various individual writers and artists such as Carmen Lomas Garza, and Laura Ingalls Wilder, and Bill Martin Jr. and their stories, poems, statues, and paintings and other forms of expression examples of cultural heritage to various communities.~~

~~(14)~~(16) Science, technology, and society. The student understands how individuals have created or invented new technology and affected life in various communities, past and present. The student is expected to:

Comment ²²(A) identify ~~scientists and inventors~~, individuals who have discovered scientific breakthroughs or created or invented new technology such as including Jonas Salk, Maria Mitchell, and others who have discovered scientific breakthroughs or created or invented new technology such as Cyrus McCormick, Bill Gates, and Louis Pasteur, and others; and

(B) describe ~~identify~~ the impact of scientific breakthroughs and new technology in computers, pasteurization, and medical vaccines on various communities.

Comment ²³(15)(17) Social studies skills. The student applies critical-thinking skills to organize and use information acquired from a variety of valid sources, including digital ~~electronic~~ technology. The student is expected to:

(A) research information, including historical and current events, and geographic data, about the community and world, using a variety of valid print, oral, visual, and digital ~~Internet~~ resources;

(B) sequence and categorize information;

¹⁹ Separated military heroes from other cultural heroes into two SEs. This WG did not agree with previous WG response to SBOE Comment; Reinstated the Four Chaplains.

²⁰ Changed analyze to discuss to be consistent with 2A; changed including to such as to provide greater flexibility teachers. [no time change]

²¹ Streamlined and clarified the SEs. [20 minutes]

²² WG agrees with previous WG response to SBOE Comment.

²³ In response to SBOE Comment. VA [no time change]

- (C) interpret oral, visual, and print material by identifying the main idea, distinguishing between fact and opinion, identifying cause and effect, and comparing and contrasting;
- (D) use various parts of a source, including the table of contents, glossary, and index as well as keyword ~~Internet~~ searches, to locate information;
- (E) interpret and create visuals, including graphs, charts, tables, timelines, illustrations, and maps; and
- (F) apply use appropriate mathematical skills to interpret social studies information such as maps and graphs.

~~(16)(18)~~ Social studies skills. The student communicates in written, oral, and visual forms. The student is expected to:

Comment ²⁴ ~~(A) use vocabulary related to chronology, including past, present, and future times;~~

(A) use social studies terminology correctly;

Comment ²⁵ ~~(B) create and interpret timelines; and~~

(C) apply the terms year, decade, and century to describe historical times;

~~(D)(A)~~ express ideas orally based on knowledge and experiences;

~~(E)(B)~~ use technology to create written and visual material such as stories, poems, pictures, maps, and graphic organizers to express ideas; and

~~(F)(C)~~ use effective written communication skills ~~standard grammar, spelling, sentence structure, and punctuation.~~

~~(17)(19)~~ Social studies skills. The student uses problem-solving and decision-making skills, working independently and with others, ~~in a variety of settings~~. The student is expected to:

(A) use a problem-solving process to identify a problem, gather information, list and consider options, consider advantages and disadvantages, choose and implement a solution, and evaluate the effectiveness of the solution; and

(B) use a decision-making process to identify a situation that requires a decision, gather information, identify options, predict consequences, and take action to implement a decision.

²⁴VA move to social studies skills strand and reworded in new A[no time change]

²⁵ VA move to social studies skills strand [no time change]

§113.15. Social Studies, Grade 4, Adopted 2018 [~~Beginning with School Year 2011-2012~~].

(a) Introduction.

- (1) In Grade 4, students examine the history of Texas from the early beginnings to the present within the context of influences of North America. Historical content focuses on Texas history, including the Texas Revolution, establishment of the Republic of Texas, and subsequent annexation to the United States. Students discuss important issues, events, and individuals of the 19th, 20th, and 21st centuries. Students conduct a thorough study of regions in Texas and North America resulting from human activity and from physical features. The location, distribution, and patterns of economic activities and settlement in Texas further enhance the concept of regions. Students describe how early American Indians in Texas and North America met their basic economic needs. Students identify motivations for European exploration and colonization and reasons for the establishment of Spanish settlements and missions. Students explain how American Indians governed themselves and identify characteristics of Spanish colonial and Mexican governments in Texas. Students recite and explain the meaning of the Pledge to the Texas Flag. Students identify the contributions of people of various racial, ethnic, and religious groups to Texas and describe the impact of science and technology on life in the state. Students use critical-thinking skills to identify cause-and-effect relationships, compare and contrast, and make generalizations and predictions.
- (2) To support the teaching of the essential knowledge and skills, the use of a variety of rich primary and secondary source material such as documents, biographies, novels, speeches, letters, poetry, songs, and artworks is encouraged. Where appropriate, local topics should be included. Motivating resources are available from museums, historical sites, presidential libraries, and local and state preservation societies.
- (3) The eight strands of the essential knowledge and skills for social studies are intended to be integrated for instructional purposes. Skills listed in the social studies skills strand in subsection (b) of this section should be incorporated into the teaching of all essential knowledge and skills for social studies. A greater depth of understanding of complex content material can be attained when integrated social studies content from the various disciplines and critical-thinking skills are taught together. Statements that contain the word "including" reference content that must be mastered, while those containing the phrase "such as" are intended as possible illustrative examples.
- (4) Students identify the role of the U.S. free enterprise system within the parameters of this course and understand that this system may also be referenced as capitalism or the free market system.
- (5) Throughout social studies in Kindergarten-Grade 12, students build a foundation in history; geography; economics; government; citizenship; culture; science, technology, and society; and social studies skills. The content, as appropriate for the grade level or course, enables students to understand the importance of patriotism, function in a free enterprise society, and appreciate the basic democratic values of our state and nation as referenced in the Texas Education Code (TEC), §28.002(h).
- (6) Students understand that a constitutional republic is a representative form of government whose representatives derive their authority from the consent of the governed, serve for an established tenure, and are sworn to uphold the constitution.
- (7) State and federal laws mandate a variety of celebrations and observances, including Celebrate Freedom Week.
 - (A) Each social studies class shall include, during Celebrate Freedom Week as provided under the TEC, §29.907, or during another full school week as determined by the board of trustees of a school district, appropriate instruction concerning the intent, meaning, and importance of the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution, including the Bill of Rights, in their historical contexts. The study of the Declaration of Independence must include the study of the relationship of the ideas expressed in that document to

subsequent American history, including the relationship of its ideas to the rich diversity of our people as a nation of immigrants, the American Revolution, the formulation of the U.S. Constitution, and the abolitionist movement, which led to the Emancipation Proclamation and the women's suffrage movement.

- (B) Each school district shall require that, during Celebrate Freedom Week or other week of instruction prescribed under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, students in Grades 3-12 study and recite the following text: "We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness--That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed."
- (8) Students identify and discuss how the actions of U.S. citizens and the local, state, and federal governments have either met or failed to meet the ideals espoused in the founding documents.
- (b) Knowledge and skills.
- (1) History. The student understands the origins, similarities, and differences of American Indian groups in Texas ~~and North America~~ before European exploration. The student is expected to:
- (A) explain the possible origins of American Indian groups in Texas ~~and North America~~;
- (B) identify and compare the ways of life of American Indian groups in Texas ~~and North America~~ before European exploration such as the Lipan Apache, Karankawa, Caddo, and Jumano; and
- Comment** ¹(C) describe the cultural regions in which American Indians lived such as Gulf, Plains, Puebloan, and Southeastern ~~and identify American Indian groups remaining in Texas such as the Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo, Alabama-Coushatta, and Kickapoo~~; and
- Comment** ²(D) locate ~~identify~~ American Indian groups remaining in Texas such as the Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo, Alabama-Coushatta, and Kickapoo.
- ~~(D) compare the ways of life of American Indian groups in Texas and North America before European exploration.~~
- (2) History. The student understands the causes and effects of European exploration and colonization of Texas ~~and North America~~. The student is expected to:
- (A) summarize motivations for European exploration and settlement of Texas, including economic opportunity, competition, and the desire for expansion;
- (B) identify the accomplishments and explain the impact of significant explorers, including Cabeza de Vaca; Francisco Coronado; and René Robert Cavelier, Sieur de la Salle, on the settlement of Texas;
- Comment** ³(C) explain when, where, and why the Spanish established settlements and Catholic missions in Texas as well as important individuals ~~such as José de Escandón~~;
- (D) identify Texas' role in the Mexican War of Independence and the war's impact on the development of Texas; and
- (E) identify the accomplishments and explain the economic motivations and impact of significant empresarios, including Stephen F. Austin and Martín de León, on the settlement of Texas.

¹Clarification of the regions to vertically align with 7.2A. Separating the content into a separate SE for clarification of intent of the SE. [No change]

² Change the verb to locate clarifies the expectation of the SE [No change].

³ Jose de Escandon's historical contribution was primarily in Mexico rather than Texas. WG removed him for streamlining purposes and to vertically align with 7.2C [30 minutes]

- (3) History. The student understands the importance of the Texas Revolution, the Republic of Texas, and the annexation of Texas to the United States. The student is expected to:
- (A) analyze the causes, major events, and effects of the Texas Revolution, including the Battle of the Alamo, the Texas Declaration of Independence, the Runaway Scrape, and the Battle of San Jacinto;
 - (B) summarize the significant contributions of individuals such as Texians William B. Travis, James Bowie, and David Crockett, ~~George Childress, and Sidney Sherman~~; Tejanos ~~Juan Antonio Padilla, Carlos Espalier~~, Juan N. Seguín, Plácido Benavides, and José Francisco Ruiz; Mexican ~~Mexicans~~ Antonio López de Santa Anna ~~and Vicente Filisola~~; and non-combatants Susanna Dickinson and Enrique Esparza;
 - (C) identify leaders important to the founding of Texas as a republic and state, including José Antonio Navarro, Sam Houston, Mirabeau Lamar, and Anson Jones;
 - (D) describe the successes, problems, and organizations of the Republic of Texas such as the establishment of a constitution, economic struggles, relations with American Indians, and the Texas Rangers; and
 - (E) explain the events that led to the annexation of Texas to the United States and ~~, including~~ the impact of the U.S.-Mexican War.
- (4) History. The student understands the political, economic, and social changes in Texas during the last half of the 19th century. The student is expected to:
- (A) describe the impact of the Civil War and Reconstruction on Texas;
 - (B) explain the growth, development, and impact of the cattle industry such as ~~, including~~ contributions made by Charles Goodnight, Richard King, and Lizzie Johnson;
 - (C) explain the effects of the railroad industry ~~identify the impact of railroads~~ on life in Texas, including changes to cities and major industries; and
 - (D) explain ~~examine~~ the effects on ~~upon~~ American Indian life brought about by ~~resulting from changes in Texas, including~~ the Red River War, building of U.S. forts and railroads, and loss of buffalo.
- (5) History. The student understands important issues, events, and individuals of the 20th century in Texas. The student is expected to:
- (A) explain ~~identify~~ the impact of various ~~issues and~~ events on life in Texas such as ~~urbanization, increased use of oil and gas~~, the Great Depression, the Dust Bowl, and World War II and notable individuals such as Audie Murphy, Cleto Rodriguez, and Bessie Coleman, and other local individuals; and
 - (B) explain the development and impact of the oil and gas industry upon industrialization and urbanization in Texas, including ~~important places and people such as~~ Spindletop and important people such as ~~Pattillo Higgins ; and~~ .
 - ~~(C) identify the accomplishments of notable individuals such as John Tower, Scott Joplin, Audie Murphy, Cleto Rodriguez, Stanley Marcus, Bessie Coleman, Raul A. Gonzalez Jr., and other local notable individuals.~~
- (6) *Geography. The student uses geographic tools to collect, analyze, and interpret data. The student is expected to:*
- (A) *apply geographic tools, including grid systems, legends, symbols, scales, and compass roses, to construct and interpret maps; and*
 - (B) *translate geographic data, population distribution, and natural resources into a variety of formats such as graphs and maps.*

- (6)(7) Geography. The student understands the concept of regions. The student is expected to:
- (A) ~~describe a variety of regions in Texas and the United States such as political, population, and economic regions that result from patterns of human activity;~~
 - (A)(B) identify, locate, and describe ~~compare~~ the physical geographic regions of Texas (Mountains and Basins, Great Plains, North Central Plains, Coastal Plains), including their characteristics such as landforms, climate, ~~and~~ vegetation, and economic activities; and
 - (B)(C) compare the physical geographic regions of Texas (Mountains and Basins, Great Plains, North Central Plains, Coastal Plains) ~~with regions of the United States and other parts of the world.~~
- (7)(8) Geography. The student understands the location and patterns of settlement and the geographic factors that influence where people live. The student is expected to:
- (B)(A) identify and explain ~~clusters and~~ patterns of settlement *such as the location of towns and cities* in Texas at different time periods ~~such as prior to the Texas Revolution, after the building of the railroads, and following World War II; and~~
 - (B) ~~describe and explain the location and distribution of various towns and cities in Texas, past and present; and~~
 - (A)(C) explain the geographic factors such as landforms and climate that influence patterns of settlement and the distribution of population in Texas, past and present.
- (8)(9) Geography. The student understands how people adapt to and modify their environment. The student is expected to:
- (A) describe ways people have adapted to and modified their environment in Texas, past and present, such as timber clearing, agricultural production, wetlands drainage, energy production, and construction of dams;
 - (B) explain ~~identify~~ reasons why people have adapted to and modified their environment in Texas, past and present, such as the use of natural resources to meet basic needs, facilitate transportation, and enhance recreational activities; and
 - (C) compare the positive and negative consequences of human modification of the environment in Texas, past and present ~~both governmental and private, such as economic development and the impact on habitats and wildlife as well as air and water quality.~~
- (10) Economics. The student understands the basic economic activities of early societies in Texas ~~and North America~~. The student is expected to:
- (A) explain the economic activities various early American Indian groups in Texas ~~and North America~~ used to meet their needs and wants such as farming, trading, and hunting; and
 - (B) explain the economic activities early settlers ~~immigrants~~ to Texas used to meet their needs and wants.
- (11) Economics. The student understands the characteristics and benefits of the free enterprise system in Texas. The student is expected to:
- (A) *describe how the free enterprise system works, including supply and demand; describe the development of the free enterprise system in Texas;*
 - Comment ⁴(B) identify ~~give~~ *examples of the benefits of the free enterprise system such as choice and opportunity* ~~describe how the free enterprise system works, including supply and demand;~~ and

⁴ Corrected the verbiage to make the SE measurable. [20 minutes]

- (C) *describe the development of the free enterprise system in Texas such as the growth of cash crops by early colonists and the railroad boom give examples of the benefits of the free enterprise system such as choice and opportunity.*
- (12) Economics. The student understands patterns of work and economic activities in Texas. The student is expected to:
- (A) identify ~~explain~~ how people in different regions of Texas earn their living, past and present ~~through a subsistence economy and providing goods and services;~~
 - (B) explain how physical geographic factors such as climate ~~transportation~~, and natural resources have influenced the location of economic activities in Texas;
 - (C) identify ~~analyze~~ the effects of exploration, immigration, migration, and limited resources on the economic development and growth of Texas; and
 - ~~(D) describe the impact of mass production, specialization, and division of labor on the economic growth of Texas;~~
 - ~~(D)(E)~~ explain how developments in transportation and communication have influenced economic activities in Texas. ~~and~~
 - ~~(F) explain the impact of American ideas about progress and equality of opportunity on the economic development and growth of Texas.~~
- ~~(13) Economics. The student understands how Texas, the United States, and other parts of the world are economically interdependent. The student is expected to:~~
- ~~(A) identify ways in which technological changes in areas such as transportation and communication have resulted in increased interdependence among Texas, the United States, and the world;~~
 - ~~(B) identify oil and gas, agricultural, and technological products of Texas that are purchased to meet needs in the United States and around the world; and~~
 - ~~(C) explain how Texans meet some of their needs through the purchase of products from the United States and the rest of the world.~~
- (14) Government. The student understands how people organized governments in different ways during the early development of Texas. The student is expected to:
- (A) compare how various American Indian groups such as the Caddo and the Comanche governed themselves; and
- Comment** ⁵(B) identify and compare characteristics of the Spanish colonial government and the early Mexican governments in Texas ~~and their influence on inhabitants of Texas.~~
- (15) Government. The student understands important ideas in historical documents of Texas and the United States. The student is expected to:
- (A) identify the purposes and explain the importance of the Texas Declaration of Independence; and the Texas Constitution ~~and other documents such as the Meusebach-Comanche Treaty~~ ;
 - (B) identify and explain the basic functions of the three branches of government according to the Texas Constitution; and
 - (C) identify the intent, meaning, and importance of the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution, and the Bill of Rights (Celebrate Freedom Week).
- (16) Citizenship. The student understands important customs, symbols, and celebrations of Texas. The student is expected to:

⁵ To compare you are already identifying. [no change]

- (A) explain the meaning of various patriotic symbols and landmarks of Texas, including the six flags that flew over Texas, the Alamo, and the San Jacinto Monument, ~~and the Alamo, and various missions~~;
 - (B) sing or recite "Texas, Our Texas";
 - (C) recite and explain the meaning of the Pledge to the Texas Flag; and
 - (D) describe the origins and significance of state celebrations such as Texas Independence Day and Juneteenth.
- (17) Citizenship. The student understands the importance of active individual participation in the democratic process. The student is expected to:
- (A) identify important individuals who have participated voluntarily in civic affairs at state and local levels such as Adina de Zavala and Clara Driscoll;
 - Comment** ⁶(B) explain how individuals can participate voluntarily in civic affairs at state and local levels through activities such as ~~holding public officials to their word~~, writing letters, and participating in historic preservation and service projects;
 - (C) explain the duty of the individual in state and local elections such as being informed and voting;
 - (D) identify the importance of historical figures and important individuals who modeled active participation in the democratic process such as Sam Houston, Barbara Jordan, Lorenzo de Zavala, Ann Richards, ~~Sam Rayburn~~, Henry B. González, ~~James A. Baker III~~, Wallace Jefferson, and other local individuals; and
 - (E) explain how to contact elected and appointed leaders in state and local governments.
- (18) Citizenship. The student understands the importance of effective leadership in a constitutional republic. The student is expected to:
- (A) identify leaders in state, local, and national governments, including the governor, local members of the Texas Legislature, the local mayor, U.S. senators, local U.S. representatives, and Texans who have been president of the United States; and
 - (B) identify leadership qualities of state and local leaders, past and present.
- (19) Culture. The student understands the contributions of people of various racial, ethnic, and religious groups to Texas culture. The student is expected to:
- ~~(A) identify the similarities and differences among various racial, ethnic, and religious groups in Texas;~~
 - (A) ~~(B)~~ identify customs, celebrations, and traditions of various cultural, regional, and local groups in Texas such as ~~Cinco de Mayo~~, Oktoberfest, the Strawberry Festival, and Fiesta San Antonio; and
- Comment** ⁷(B) ~~(C)~~ summarize the contributions of artists ~~people~~ of various racial, ethnic, and religious groups in the development of Texas culture such as Lydia Mendoza, Chelo Silva, and Julius Lorenzo Cobb Bledsoe.
- (20) Science, technology, and society. The student understands the impact of science and technology on life in Texas. The student is expected to:
- (A) identify famous inventors and scientists such as Gail Borden, Joseph Glidden, Michael DeBakey, and Millie Hughes-Fulford and their contributions;

⁶ Not grade level appropriate. [30 minutes]

⁷ Clarification to limit the scope of the SE. [30 minutes]

- (B) describe how scientific discoveries and innovations such as in aerospace, agriculture, energy, and technology have benefited individuals, businesses, and society in Texas; and

Comment ⁸(C) ~~predict how future scientific discoveries and technological innovations might affect life in Texas.~~

Comment ⁹(21) Social studies skills. The student applies critical-thinking skills to organize and use information acquired from a variety of valid sources, including **digital** ~~electronic~~ technology. The student is expected to:

Comment ¹⁰(A) differentiate between, locate, and use valid primary and secondary sources such as technology ~~computer software~~; interviews; biographies; oral, print, and visual material; documents; and artifacts to acquire information about Texas ~~and the United States~~ the United States and Texas;

Comment ¹¹(B) analyze information by applying absolute and relative chronology through sequencing, sequencing, categorizing, identifying cause-and-effect relationships, comparing, contrasting, finding the main idea, summarizing, making generalizations and predictions, and drawing inferences and conclusions;

(C) organize and interpret information in outlines, reports, databases, and visuals, including graphs, charts, timelines, and maps;

(D) identify different points of view about an issue, topic, historical event, or current event; and

(E) apply ~~use~~ appropriate mathematical skills to interpret social studies information such as maps and graphs.

(22) ~~Social studies skills. Geography. The student uses geographic tools to collect, analyze, and interpret data. The student is expected to:~~

Comment ¹²(A) apply mapping elements ~~geographic tools, including grid systems, legends, symbols, scales, and compass roses, to create~~ ~~construct~~ and interpret maps; and

(B) translate geographic data, population distribution, and natural resources into a variety of formats such as graphs and maps.

(23) ~~(22)~~ Social studies skills. The student communicates in written, oral, and visual forms. The student is expected to:

(A) use social studies terminology correctly;

(B) incorporate main and supporting ideas in verbal and written communication;

(C) express ideas orally based on research and experiences;

(D) create written and visual material such as journal entries, reports, graphic organizers, outlines, and bibliographies; and

(E) use effective written communication skills ~~standard grammar, spelling, sentence structure, and punctuation.~~

(24) ~~(23)~~ Social studies skills. The student uses problem-solving and decision-making skills, working independently and with others, ~~in a variety of settings~~. The student is expected to:

⁸ Not necessary for mastery of this course. [60 minutes]

⁹ In response to SBOE Comment the WG removed the term digital. [no change]

¹⁰ Streamlined to reflect changes throughout the course where the United States removed because this course focuses on Texas. [60 minutes]

¹¹ Added absolute and relative chronology to vertically align with other history courses. [no change]

¹² Change construct to create was done for vertical alignment to 5.25A. Change geographic tools to mapping elements to correct incorrect terminology and align with 1.5A, 2.5A, 3.5C (new C old D) [no change]

- (A) use a problem-solving process to identify a problem, gather information, list and consider options, consider advantages and disadvantages, choose and implement a solution, and evaluate the effectiveness of the solution; and
- (B) use a decision-making process to identify a situation that requires a decision, gather information, identify options, predict consequences, and take action to implement a decision.

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§113.16. Social Studies, Grade 5, Adopted 2018 [Beginning with School Year 2011-2012].

(a) Introduction.

- (1) In Grade 5, students survey the history of the United States from 1565 to the present. Historical content includes the colonial period, the American Revolution, the establishment of the U.S. Constitution and American identity, westward expansion, the Civil War and Reconstruction, immigration and industrialization, and the 20th and 21st centuries. Students study a variety of regions in the United States that result from physical features and human activity and identify how people adapt to and modify the environment. Students explain the characteristics and benefits of the free enterprise system and describe economic activities in the United States. Students identify the roots of representative government in this nation as well as the important ideas in the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution. Students study the fundamental rights guaranteed in the Bill of Rights. Students examine the importance of effective leadership in a constitutional republic and identify important leaders in the national government. Students recite and explain the meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag. Students describe the cultural impact of various racial, ethnic, and religious groups in the nation and identify the accomplishments of notable individuals in the fields of science and technology. Students explain symbols, traditions, and landmarks that represent American beliefs and principles. Students use critical-thinking skills to sequence, categorize, and summarize information and to draw inferences and conclusions.
- (2) To support the teaching of the essential knowledge and skills, the use of a variety of rich primary and secondary source material such as documents, biographies, novels, speeches, letters, poetry, songs, and artworks is encouraged. Motivating resources are available from museums, historical sites, presidential libraries, and local and state preservation societies.
- (3) The eight strands of the essential knowledge and skills for social studies are intended to be integrated for instructional purposes. Skills listed in the social studies skills strand in subsection (b) of this section should be incorporated into the teaching of all essential knowledge and skills for social studies. A greater depth of understanding of complex content material can be attained when integrated social studies content from the various disciplines and critical-thinking skills are taught together. Statements that contain the word "including" reference content that must be mastered, while those containing the phrase "such as" are intended as possible illustrative examples.
- (4) Students identify the role of the U.S. free enterprise system within the parameters of this course and understand that this system may also be referenced as capitalism or the free market system.
- (5) Throughout social studies in Kindergarten-Grade 12, students build a foundation in history; geography; economics; government; citizenship; culture; science, technology, and society; and social studies skills. The content, as appropriate for the grade level or course, enables students to understand the importance of patriotism, function in a free enterprise society, and appreciate the basic democratic values of our state and nation as referenced in the Texas Education Code (TEC), §28.002(h).
- (6) Students understand that a constitutional republic is a representative form of government whose representatives derive their authority from the consent of the governed, serve for an established tenure, and are sworn to uphold the constitution.
- (7) State and federal laws mandate a variety of celebrations and observances, including Celebrate Freedom Week.
 - (A) Each social studies class shall include, during Celebrate Freedom Week as provided under the TEC, §29.907, or during another full school week as determined by the board of trustees of a school district, appropriate instruction concerning the intent, meaning, and importance of the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution, including the Bill of Rights, in their historical contexts. The study of the Declaration of Independence must include the study of the relationship of the ideas expressed in that document to subsequent American history, including the relationship of its ideas to the rich diversity

of our people as a nation of immigrants, the American Revolution, the formulation of the U.S. Constitution, and the abolitionist movement, which led to the Emancipation Proclamation and the women's suffrage movement.

- (B) Each school district shall require that, during Celebrate Freedom Week or other week of instruction prescribed under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, students in Grades 3-12 study and recite the following text: "We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness--That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed."

- (8) Students identify and discuss how the actions of U.S. citizens and the local, state, and federal governments have either met or failed to meet the ideals espoused in the founding documents

(b) Knowledge and skills.

- (1) History. The student understands the reasons for and the role of key people in the causes and effects of European colonization of North America in the United States beginning in 1565, the founding of St. Augustine. The student is expected to:

(A) explain when, where, and why groups of people explored, colonized, and settled in the United States, including the search for religious freedom and economic gain; and

(B) describe the accomplishments of significant individuals who settled for religious freedom and economic gain during the colonial period, including William Bradford, Anne Hutchinson, William Penn, John Smith, ~~John Wise~~, and Roger Williams.

- (2) History. The student understands how conflict between the American colonies and Great Britain led to American independence and the formation of the United States. The student is expected to:

(A) ~~identify and~~ analyze the causes and effects of events prior to and during the American Revolution, including the taxation resulting from the French and Indian War and the colonist response to taxation such as the Boston Tea Party;

(B) identify the Founding Fathers and Patriot heroes, including John Adams, ~~Samuel Adams~~, Benjamin Franklin, ~~Nathan Hale~~, Thomas Jefferson, the Sons of Liberty, and George Washington, and their motivations and contributions during the revolutionary period; and

(C) summarize the results of the American Revolution, including the establishment of the United States ~~and the development of the U.S. military~~.

- Comment**¹(3) History. The student understands the significant individuals who contributed to and events that led from the Articles of Confederation to the creation of the U.S. Constitution and the government it established. The student is expected to:

(A) ~~identify how weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation the issues that led to the creation of the U.S. Constitution, including the lack of power to tax and a weak central government the weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation; and~~

(B) identify the contributions of individuals, including James Madison, and ~~others such as~~ George Mason, ~~Charles Pinckney, and Roger Sherman~~ who helped create the U.S. Constitution.

- (4) History. The student understands political, economic, and social changes that occurred in the United States during the 19th century. The student is expected to:

¹ The depth of knowledge required for this SE is not essential for this course. The concept of the SE is covered in depth in 8.15B and streamlining of 3A matches the KS [60 minutes]

- Comment** ²(A) describe the causes and effects of the War of 1812 such as impressment of sailors, territorial conflicts with Great Britain, and the United States gaining international respect and power; increase in United States manufacturing.
- (B) identify and explain how changes resulting from the Industrial Revolution led to conflict among sections of the United States;
- ~~(C)~~ ~~identify reasons people moved west;~~
- ~~(C)~~~~(D)~~ identify significant events and concepts associated with U.S. territorial expansion, including the Louisiana Purchase, the expedition of Lewis and Clark, and Manifest Destiny;
- ~~(D)~~~~(E)~~ identify the causes of the Civil War, including slavery, sectionalism, and states' rights, and slavery; and the effects of the Civil War, including Reconstruction and the 13th, 14th, and 15th amendments to the U.S. Constitution; and
- Comment** ³~~(E)~~~~(F)~~ ~~explain how industry and the mechanization of agriculture changed the American way of life; and~~
- ~~(E)~~~~(G)~~ identify the challenges, opportunities, and contributions of people from various American Indian and immigrant groups such as the settlement of the frontier and building of the Transcontinental Railroad.
- (5) History. The student understands important issues, events, and individuals in the United States during the 20th and 21st centuries. The student is expected to:
- Comment** ⁴(A) explain the significance of ~~analyze various~~ issues and events of the 20th century such as industrialization, urbanization, ~~increased use of oil and gas~~, the Great Depression, the world wars, the civil rights movement, and military actions;
- (B) analyze various issues and events of the 21st century such as the War on Terror and the 2008 presidential election; and
- (C) identify the accomplishments and contributions of individuals and groups such as ~~Jane Addams~~, Susan B. Anthony, ~~Dwight Eisenhower~~, Martin Luther King Jr., Rosa Parks, Cesar Chavez, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Ronald Reagan, ~~Colin Powell~~, the Tuskegee Airmen, and the 442nd Regimental Combat Team ~~who have made contributions to society~~ in the areas of civil rights, women's rights, military actions, and politics.
- ~~(6)~~ *Geography. The student uses geographic tools to collect, analyze, and interpret data. The student is expected to:*
- ~~(A)~~ *apply geographic tools, including grid systems, legends, symbols, scales, and compass roses, to construct and interpret maps; and*
- ~~(B)~~ *translate geographic data into a variety of formats such as raw data to graphs and maps.*
- ~~(6)~~~~(7)~~ Geography. The student understands places and ~~the concept of~~ regions in the United States. The student is expected to:
- Comment** ⁵(A) describe ~~a variety of~~ political and economic regions in the United States that result from patterns of human activity such as political, population, and economic regions that result from patterns of human activity;

² Changing the effect of the War of 1812, to better vertically align with 8.13A [no change in time]

³ Not essential for the mastery of the course, the concept will be covered in depth in the 8.27A. Helps to narrow the scope of the course. [30 minutes]

⁴ Topic is covered in 4.5B. Streamlining this topic helps narrow the scope of this SE. [30 minutes]

⁵ Clarification and streamlining of the SE helps narrow the scope of the SE. [45 minutes]

- (B) describe ~~a variety of~~ regions in the United States based on physical characteristics such as landform, climate, and vegetation ~~regions that result from physical characteristics such as the Great Plains, Rocky Mountains, and Coastal Plains;~~
- Comment** ⁶(C) locate on a map important political features such as the five ten largest cities by population ~~urban areas~~ in the United States, the 50 states and their capitals, ~~and regions such as the Northeast, the Midwest, and the Southwest;~~ and
- (D) create a map of important physical features such as the Appalachian Mountains, Great Lakes, Mississippi River, Great Plains and Rocky Mountains ~~locate on a map important physical features such as the Rocky Mountains, Mississippi River, and Great Plains.~~
- ~~(7)~~⁽⁸⁾ Geography. The student understands the location and patterns of settlement and the geographic factors that influence where people live. The student is expected to:
- (A) identify and describe the patterns ~~types~~ of settlement such as rural, urban, and suburban ~~and patterns of land use in the United States;~~
- Comment** ⁷(B) explain the geographic factors that influence patterns of settlement and the distribution of population in the United States, ~~past and present;~~ and
- (C) analyze the geographic factors that influence ~~reasons for~~ the location of the five largest urban areas ~~cities~~ in the United States, ~~including capital cities;~~ and explain their distribution, ~~past and present.~~
- ~~(8)~~⁽⁹⁾ Geography. The student understands how people adapt to and modify their environment. The student is expected to:
- Comment** ⁸(A) describe how and why people have adapted to and modified their environment in the United States, ~~past and present~~, such as the use of human resources to meet basic needs; and
- Comment** ⁹(B) analyze the positive and negative consequences of human modification of the environment in the United States, ~~past and present.~~
- ~~(9)~~⁽¹⁰⁾ Economics. The student understands the basic economic patterns of early societies in the United States. The student is expected to:
- (A) explain the economic patterns of early European colonies ~~colonists~~; and
- (B) identify major industries of colonial America such as shipbuilding and growing of cash crops.
- ~~(10)~~⁽¹¹⁾ Economics. The student understands the development, characteristics, and benefits of the free enterprise system in the United States. The student is expected to:
- Comment** ¹⁰(A) ~~identify~~ describe the development of the free enterprise system in colonial America and the United States;
- (B) describe how the free enterprise system works in the United States; and
- (C) give examples of the benefits of the free enterprise system in the United States.
- ~~(11)~~⁽¹²⁾ Economics. The student understands the impact of supply and demand on consumers and producers in a free enterprise system. The student is expected to:
- (A) explain how supply and demand affects consumers in the United States; and

⁶ Not essential for mastery of the course. Narrow the number of cities from 10 to 5 to align with 5.7C [100 minutes]

⁷ Streamlining past and present from 5.7B and 5.7C narrows the scope of the SE [50 minutes]

⁸ Streamlining past and present narrows the scope of the SE [50 minutes]

⁹ Streamlining past and present narrows the scope of the SE [50 minutes]

¹⁰ Adjusting the cognitive level of the verb is appropriate for this grade level. The depth of knowledge is addressed in 5.11B [20 minutes]

- (B) evaluate the effects of supply and demand on ~~business~~, industry, and agriculture, including the plantation system, in the United States.

~~(12)~~⁽¹³⁾ Economics. The student understands patterns of work and economic activities in the United States. The student is expected to:

- (A) compare how people in different regions ~~parts~~ of the United States earn a living, past and present;
- (B) identify and explain how geographic factors have influenced the location of economic activities in the United States;

Comment ¹¹(C) analyze the effects of immigration, migration, ~~and limited resources~~ on the economic development and growth of the United States; and

- (D) describe the impact of mass production, specialization, and division of labor on the economic growth of the United States. ~~;-and~~

~~(E) — explain the impact of American ideas about progress and equality of opportunity on the economic development and growth of the United States.~~

~~(13)~~⁽¹⁴⁾ Government. The student understands the organization of governments in colonial America. The student is expected to:

Comment ¹²(A) ~~identify and~~ compare the systems of government of early European colonists, including representative government and monarchy; and

- (B) identify examples of representative government in the American colonies, including the Mayflower Compact and the Virginia House of Burgesses.

~~(14)~~⁽¹⁵⁾ Government. The student understands important ideas in the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution, and the Bill of Rights. The student is expected to:

- (A) explain the purposes, key elements, and importance of the Declaration of Independence ~~identify the key elements and the purposes and explain the importance of the Declaration of Independence;~~

- (B) explain the purposes of the U.S. Constitution as identified in the Preamble; and
- (C) explain the reasons for the creation of the Bill of Rights and its importance.

~~(15)~~⁽¹⁶⁾ Government. The student understands the framework of government created by the U.S. Constitution of 1787. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify and explain the basic functions of the three branches of government;
- (B) identify the reasons for and describe the system of checks and balances outlined in the U.S. Constitution; and
- (C) distinguish between national and state governments and compare their responsibilities in the U.S. federal system.

~~(16)~~⁽¹⁷⁾ Citizenship. The student understands important symbols and customs, ~~celebrations, and landmarks~~ that represent American beliefs and principles that and contribute to our national identity. The student is expected to:

Comment ¹³(A) explain various patriotic symbols, national celebrations and important landmarks, including Uncle Sam, and political symbols such as the donkey and elephant, Labor Day, the White House and Mount Rushmore;

¹¹ Narrows the focus of the SE and streamlines the scope of the course. [20 minutes]

¹² The verb identified is implied in the act of comparing [no change]

¹³ in response to SBOE recommendations the reinstatement and movement of Labor Day (5.17D), the White House and Mount Rushmore (5.17E) reflect the topics not addressed in previous grade levels. [120 minutes]

- (B) sing or recite "The Star-Spangled Banner" and explain its history; and
- (C) recite and explain the meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag ;
- ~~(D) describe the origins and significance of national celebrations such as Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Constitution Day, Columbus Day, and Veterans Day; and~~
- ~~(E) explain the significance of important landmarks, including the White House, the Statue of Liberty, and Mount Rushmore.~~

(17)~~(18)~~ Citizenship. The student understands the importance of individual participation in the democratic process at the local, state, and national levels. The student is expected to:

- (A) explain why individuals have a duty ~~explain the duty individuals have~~ to participate in civic affairs at the local, state, and national levels; and
- (B) explain how to contact elected and appointed leaders in local, state, and national governments.

(18)~~(19)~~ Citizenship. The student understands the importance of effective leadership in a constitutional republic. The student is expected to:

- ~~(A) explain the contributions of the Founding Fathers to the development of the national government;~~
- (A)~~(B)~~ identify past and present leaders in the national government, including the president and various members of Congress, and their political parties; and
- (B)~~(C)~~ identify and compare leadership qualities of national leaders, past and present.

Comment ¹⁴(19)~~(20)~~ Citizenship. The student understands the fundamental rights of American citizens guaranteed in the Bill of Rights and other amendments to the U.S. Constitution. The student is expected to :

- ~~(A) describe the fundamental rights guaranteed by each amendment in the Bill of Rights, including freedom of religion, speech, and press; the right to assemble and petition the government; the right to keep and bear arms; the right to trial by jury; and the right to an attorney ; and~~

Comment ¹⁵~~(B)~~ ~~describe various amendments to the U.S. Constitution such as those that extended voting rights of U.S. citizens.~~

(20)~~(21)~~ Culture. The student understands the relationship between the arts and the times during which they were created. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify significant examples of art, music, and literature from various periods in U.S. history such as the painting *American Progress*, "Yankee Doodle," and "Paul Revere's Ride"; and
- (B) explain how examples of art, music, and literature reflect the times during which they were created.

(21)~~(22)~~ Culture. The student understands the contributions of people of various racial, ethnic, and religious groups to the United States culture. The student is expected to:

- ~~(A) identify the similarities and differences within and among various racial, ethnic, and religious groups in the United States;~~
- (A)~~(B)~~ describe customs and traditions of various racial, ethnic, and religious groups in the United States; and
- (B)~~(C)~~ summarize the contributions of people of various racial, ethnic, and religious groups to our national identity.

¹⁴ The removal of "and other amendments to the U.S. Constitution" reflects the removal 5.20B. (see Comment 15)

¹⁵ Streamline this SE because 5.20A is sufficient study of amendments for mastery of this course. [90 minutes]

~~(22)(23)~~ Science, technology, and society. The student understands the impact of science and technology on society in the United States. The student is expected to:

- (A) identify the accomplishments of notable individuals in the fields of science and technology ~~such as, including~~ Benjamin Franklin, Eli Whitney, John Deere, Thomas Edison, Alexander Graham Bell, George Washington Carver, the Wright Brothers, and Neil Armstrong;
- (B) identify how scientific discoveries, technological innovations, and the rapid growth of technology industries have advanced the economic development of the United States, including the transcontinental railroad and the space program; ~~and~~
- (C) explain how scientific discoveries and technological innovations in the fields of medicine, communication, and transportation have benefited individuals and society in the United States; ~~and~~

Comment ¹⁶~~(D)~~ ~~predict how future scientific discoveries and technological innovations could affect society in the United States.~~

Comment ¹⁷(23)(24) Social studies skills. The student applies critical-thinking skills to organize and use information acquired from a variety of valid sources, including ~~digital electronic~~ technology. The student is expected to:

Comment ¹⁸(A) differentiate between, locate, and use valid primary and secondary sources such as ~~technology digital media computer software~~; interviews; biographies; oral, print, and visual material; documents; and artifacts to acquire information about the United States;

Comment ¹⁹(B) analyze information by applying absolute and relative chronology through sequencing, categorizing, identifying cause-and-effect relationships, comparing, contrasting, finding the main idea, summarizing, making generalizations and predictions, and drawing inferences and conclusions;

- (C) organize and interpret information in outlines, reports, databases, and visuals, including graphs, charts, timelines, and maps;
- (D) identify different points of view about an issue, topic, or current event; and
- (E) identify the historical context of an event.

~~(24) Social studies skills. Geography: The student uses geographic tools to collect, analyze, and interpret data. The student is expected to:~~

Comment ²⁰(A) apply mapping elements geographic tools, including grid systems, legends, symbols, scales, and compass roses, to create construct and interpret maps; and

(B) interpret translate geographic data, population distribution, and natural resources into a variety of formats such as graphs and maps.

(25) Social studies skills. The student communicates in written, oral, and visual forms. The student is expected to:

- (A) use social studies terminology correctly;
- (B) incorporate main and supporting ideas in verbal and written communication;
- (C) express ideas orally based on research and experiences;

¹⁶ Not essential to the mastery of the course. [60 minutes]

¹⁷ In response to SBOE Comment WG removed the term digital. [no change]

¹⁸ In response to SBOE Comment technology has replaces digital media, this also creates vertical alignment to 4.21A

¹⁹ Added to better align with 8th and 11th grade US History Courses.

²⁰ Change geographic tools to mapping elements to correct incorrect terminology and align with 1.5A, 2.5A, 3.5C (new C old D), and 4.22A [no change]

- (D) create written and visual material such as journal entries, reports, graphic organizers, outlines, and bibliographies; and
 - (E) use effective written communication skills ~~standard grammar, spelling, sentence structure, and punctuation.~~
- (26) Social studies skills. The student uses problem-solving and decision-making skills, working independently and with others, ~~in a variety of settings~~. The student is expected to:
- (A) use a problem-solving process to identify a problem, gather information, list and consider options, consider advantages and disadvantages, choose and implement a solution, and evaluate the effectiveness of the solution; and
 - (B) use a decision-making process to identify a situation that requires a decision, gather information, identify options, predict consequences, and take action to implement a decision.

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