Social Studies | Kindergarten

- 1. History. The student understands that holidays are celebrations of special events.. The student is expected to:
 - A. identify 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.
- 2. History. The student understands how historical figures helped shape the state and nation. The student is expected to:
 - A. identify contributions of historical figures, including Stephen F. Austin, George Washington, Christopher Columbus, and José Antonio Navarro, who helped to shape the state and nation.
- . 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
- identify and use geographic tools that aid in determining location, including maps and globes.
- 4. 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:
 - iuse 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 use geographic tools that aid in determining location, including maps and globes.
- 5. Economics. The student understands the difference between human needs and wants and how they are met. The student is expected to:
 - A. identify basic human needs of food, clothing, and shelter;
 - B. explain the difference between needs and wants; and
 - C. explain how basic human needs and wants can be met.
- 6. 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. 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. 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
 - B. explain how authority figures enforce rules.
- 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 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
- C. use voting as a method for group decision making.
- Culture. The student understands similarities and differences among individuals. The Student is expected to:
 - A. identify similarities and differences among individuals such as kinship and religion.
- Culture. The student understands the importance of family traditions. The student is expected to:
 - A. describe and explain the importance of family traditions; and
 - B. compare traditions among families.
- 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;
 - describe how technology helps accomplish specific tasks and meet people's needs; and
 - describe how his or her life might be different without modern technology.

- 13. Social studies skills. TThe student applies critical-thinking skills to organize and use information acquired from a variety of valid sources, including technology. The student is expected to:
 - A. identify and state facts based on relevant evidence;
 - identify different kinds of historical sources and artifacts and explain how they can be used to study the past;
 - C. gather information about a topic using a variety of valid oral and visual sources such as interviews, music, pictures, symbols, and artifacts with adult assistance; and
 - D. sequence and categorize information.
- Social studies skills. The student communicates in oral and visual forms. The student is expected to:
 - A. place events in chronological order;
 - use social studies terminology related to time and chronology correctly, including before, after, next, first, last, yesterday, today, and tomorrow;
 - communicate information visually, orally, or in writing based on knowledge and experiences in social studies;
 - D. create and interpret visuals, including pictures and maps; and
 - E. apply and practice classroom rules and procedures for listening and responding respectfully.
- 15. Social studies skills. The student uses problem-solving and decision-making skills, working independently and with others. The student is expected to:
 - A. use democratic procedures to collaborate with others when making decisions on issues in the classroom, school, or community; and
 - B. use problem-solving and decision-making processes 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.

