



Social Studies 5th Grade

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Course & Curriculum Information:

Fifth grade Social Studies encompasses the 8 strands of Social Studies: American history, government, economics, geography, culture, citizenship, science and technology in society, and social studies skills.

The student will demonstrate a basic knowledge of:

1. History, government, and economics of the U.S. from their early beginnings to the present.
2. Basic geography of the continental U.S. and the impact of various cultures on the growth of America.
3. The significance of fundamental rights of American citizens and the responsibilities associated therewith.
4. Critical thinking skills to organize and use information correctly from a variety of sources, including electronic technology.

Requirements:

Class participation and involvement is encouraged to facilitate a positive learning environment for each student. Students will maintain a classroom interactive notebook. Teachers will also require various reports and projects throughout the year.

Course Calendar & Schedule:

Please see mansfieldisd.org, Curriculum & Instruction, Social Studies, 5th grade Pacing Guide.

Support Services:

Teachers are available upon request before or after school for additional assistance.

Grading Policy:

Grades will be calculated by using daily class work/participation, quizzes, major tests, hands-on projects, homework, and writing assignments.

Intermediate School Grading Guidelines: Teachers shall determine student progress using a grading scale of 0-100.

90-100=A 80-89=B 70-79=C Below 70=Failing
I=Incomplete (“I” is not an academic grade, but indicates incomplete work)

Citizenship grades are as follows:

E=Excellent, S=Satisfactory, N=Needs Improvement, U=Unsatisfactory

Grade Categories:

Daily Work:	50%
Major Tests/Projects:	40%
Homework:	10%

Retake Policy:

Students who fail a major test/assessment (below 70%) will be allowed to retake or correct up to a 70% grade. Students will have to make arrangements with the teacher to retake or correct a major test/assessment. Students have one week after tests/assessments are returned to do retakes or corrections. Students are encouraged to attend tutorials.

*District Curriculum-Based Assessments (CBAs) are calculated as part of the Major Grades/Projects category.

Late Work Policy

For work submitted after the due date given in class, the following policy will apply:

- 1 class day late: maximum grade of 85
- 2 class days late: maximum grade of 70
- 3 class days late: maximum grade of 50 (or teacher discretion)

Academic Dishonesty:

Using another student's written work or answers as your own, sharing your work with another person to claim as their own, or copying another person's written work, word for word, or from a publication or internet resource is dishonest and will not be tolerated. A grade of zero or F will be given for the plagiarized assignment.

Tardies, Absences, & Missed Work

It is the student's responsibility to ask his or her teacher for make-up work and return it in a timely manner. Students will be granted one make-up day for each day they were absent to complete missed work on time before late work policy will be instituted. Make up tests should be arranged with the teacher.

Resources

Please visit our class webpage at www.lizrogers.weebly.com to find the information you need for notes, assignments, due dates, projects, and more. You may also visit our team website for information at www.teamiditarod.weebly.com.

Parents

Parents are encouraged to set up an account on Skyward, the district's grade reporting site. Grades are updated weekly by teachers. This portal enables parents to monitor their own students' grades during the school year. You may obtain your login/password from the school registrar or secretary. Then go to www.mansfieldisd.org and click on the Skyward icon.

Students

Tutoring is available through WIN Time, library resources are available, and monitored internet research will be available to students. Before or after school help may be available by advance appointment.