

## **Social Studies Courses**

### **World History and Geography**

*Required for students in grade 10*

*Prerequisites: None*

*Credit: Successful completion of this year long course will result in 1 earned high school Social Studies credit.*

This course is a survey of world history from early civilizations to the present day. The class takes both a chronological and thematic approach, giving students both a sense of historical progression and the ability to see global patterns among various societies. A strong emphasis will be on current global issues, giving students an understanding of the connection between world history and what is happening in the world today. Developing geography skills and incorporating current events will be an important part of this course.

### **U.S. History and Geography**

*Required for students in grade 9*

*Prerequisites: None*

*Credit: Successful completion of this year long course will result in 1 earned high school Social Studies credit.*

This course covers the period from 1870 through today. The political, social, and economic foundations of modern America are studied in an effort to understand the fast paced changes that affect us today. The first semester will review early American history and then cover 1870 through present day. Geography, economics, civics and current events will be incorporated into the class.

### **Civics**

*Required for students in grade 11*

*Prerequisites: None*

*Credit: Successful completion of this semester long course will result in .5 earned high school Social Studies credit.*

This course will cover the form and function of federal, state, county, township, city, and village governments. The rights and responsibilities of citizens will be stressed. The course will emphasize the historical development of our nation's government and will also present the relationship between our government and economy.

### **Economics**

*Required for students in grade 11*

*Prerequisites: None*

*Credit: Successful completion of this semester long course will result in .5 earned high school Social Studies credit.*

This course will provide students with a general introduction to the concepts of economics and the advantages of a capitalistic society. Students will be exposed to concepts of microeconomics, macroeconomics, and personal finance. Students will participate in stock market analysis and mock activities. This course will prepare students for college-level economic courses.