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CODING THE STANDARDS

CODING SCHEME

 ${\tt SUBJECT.STANDARD.GradeLevel} \ {\tt SUBSTANDARD.sub-substandard}$

SS = Social Studies

CG = Civics and Government

E = Economics

G = Geography

H = History

Example

SS.CG.K.1	recognize the people who create and carry out rules for the
	school and classroom



K-12 STANDARDS

The following standards will go into effect on July 1, 2021.

Content	The content areas covered by the social studies standards include
SS.CG	civics and government
SS.E	economics
SS.G	geography
SS.H	history

Skills	When a district incorporates or integrates social studies content into district curriculum or offers a course in social studies, the following skills at each grade level may apply
SS.K12.1	develop questions
SS.K12.2	plan inquiries
SS.K12.3	compare and evaluate sources for relevance, perspective, and accuracy
SS.K12.4	use sources to gather evidence to develop and refine claims
SS.K12.5	communicate conclusions
SS.K12.6	take informed action



KINDERGARTEN

SS.K	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR KINDERGARTEN
SS.CG.K	The civics and government content standards for kindergarten are that each student will
SS.CG.K.1	recognize the people who create and carry out rules for the school and classroom
SS.CG.K.2	define that being a citizen of the classroom and school community means following established rules and expectations
SS.CG.K.3	demonstrate citizenship through their interactions in the classroom and school community
SS.E.K	The economics content standards for kindergarten are that each student will
SS.E.K.1	explain and identify examples of goods and services
SS.E.K.2	describe goods and products that are produced in local regions.
SS.G.K	The geography content standard for kindergarten is that each student will use maps, and other representations, to describe place characteristics
SS.H.K	The history content standard for kindergarten is that each student will distinguish between past, present, and future time



FIRST GRADE

SS.1	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR FIRST GRADE
SS.CG.1	The civics and government content standards for first grade are that each student will
SS.CG.1.1	demonstrate being a citizen of a classroom and school community through interactions and by following established rules and expectations
SS.CG.1.2	recognize the people, and their roles, who create and carry out rules for the school and classroom.
SS.E.1	The economics content standards for first grade are that each student will
SS.E.1.1	explain the difference between needs and wants
SS.E.1.2	describe goods and products that are produced in local regions.
SS.G.1	The geography content standards for first grade are that each student will
SS.G.1.1	identify and describe human and physical local landmarks
SS.G.1.2	construct maps and other representations of familiar places.
SS.H.1	The history content standards for first grade are that each student will
SS.H.1.1	distinguish between past, present, and future time
SS.H.1.2	understand how events might be described differently depending on historical contexts and perspectives, including those of tribes in Montana



SECOND GRADE

SS.2	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR SECOND GRADE
SS.CG.2	The civics and government content standards for second grade are that each student will
SS.CG.2.1	explain the roles of people who help govern different communities including tribal communities
SS.CG.2.2	demonstrate ways to show good citizenship in the classroom, school, and community.
SS.E.2	The economics content standards for second grade are that each student will
SS.E.2.1	describe the goods and services that people in the local, state, and national community produce
SS.E.2.2	describe examples of the goods and services that governments provide
SS.E.2.3	identify resources people use to access the goods and services they want and need
SS.G.2	The geography content standards for second grade are that each student will
SS.G.2.1	use the basic components of a map to identify physical and political features, including American Indian reservations
SS.G.2.2	describe how geography and human activities impact each other
SS.H.2	The history content standards for second grade are that each student will
SS.H.2.1	identify how people lived differently in the past than they do today
SS.H.2.2	understand that there are twelve distinct and unique tribes within Montana whose people contribute to modern life
SS.H.2.3	identify different kinds of historical sources, including oral histories of American Indians



THIRD GRADE

SS.3	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR THIRD GRADE
SS.CG.3	The civics and government content standards for third grade are that each student will
SS.CG.3.1	describe and identify the basic functions of local government, including tribal governments
SS.CG.3.2	recognize that civic participation involves remaining accurately informed about public issues, taking action, and voting in elections
SS.CG.3.3	identify key symbols of nations
SS.E.3	The economics content standards for third grade are that each student will
SS.E.3.1	compare the benefits and costs of individual choices
SS.E.3.2	identify examples of human and natural resources that are used to produce goods and services
SS.E.3.3	explain economic interdependence within historical and contemporary contexts
SS.G.3	The geography content standards for third grade are that each student will
SS.G.3.1	examine maps and other representations to identify historical and contemporary political and cultural patterns in the Americas
SS.G.3.2	identify environmental and technological events and conditions and how humans and the environment impact each other
SS.G.3.3	identify landforms and other physical characteristics of the Americas
SS.H.3	The history content standards for third grade are that each student will
SS.H.3.1	identify tribes in Montana by their original and current names
SS.H.3.2	explain how perspective impacts the telling of historical events



FOURTH GRADE

SS.4	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR FOURTH GRADE
SS.CG.4	The civics and government content standards for fourth grade are that each student will
SS.CG.4.1	demonstrate civic participation within the classroom or school
SS.CG.4.2	practice deliberative processes when making decisions as a group
SS.CG.4.3	describe how rules, laws, and policies are implemented by local, state, national, and tribal governments
SS.CG.4.4	define sovereignty for tribes in Montana
SS.CG.4.5	identify key foundational documents in Montana's government.
SS.E.4	The economics content standards for fourth grade are that each student will
SS.E.4.1	identify the various pressures and incentives that influence the decisions people make in short term and long term situations
SS.E.4.2	identify basic elements of Montana's state economic system including agriculture, business, natural resources, and labor
SS.E.4.3	identify various resources and labor that are used to provide goods and services in Montana
SS.E.4.4	explain how trade leads to increasing economic interdependence among groups in Montana
SS.G.4	The geography content standards for fourth grade are that each student will
SS.G.4.1	examine maps and other representations to explain the movement of people
SS.G.4.2	identify and label the tribes in Montana and their indigenous territories, and current locations
SS.G.4.3	investigate the physical, political, and cultural characteristics of places, regions, and people in Montana
SS.G.4.4	analyze environmental and technological events and conditions and how humans and the environment impact each other with relation to settlements and migration in Montana



SS.4	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR FOURTH GRADE
SS.H.4	The history content standards for fourth grade are that each student will
SS.H.4.1	understand tribes in Montana have their own unique histories
SS.H.4.2	identify events and policies that have impacted and been influenced by tribes in Montana
SS.H.4.3	explain how Montana has changed over time given its cultural diversity and how this history impacts the present
SS.H.4.4	describe how historical accounts are impacted by individual perspectives



FIFTH GRADE

SS.5	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR FIFTH GRADE
SS.CG.5	The civics and government content standards for fifth grade are that each student will
SS.CG.5.1	examine the diverse origins, ideals, and purposes of rules, laws, and key United States constitutional provisions and other foundational documents
SS.CG.5.2	use deliberative processes when engaging in civic participation within the classroom or school
SS.CG.5.3	distinguish between the responsibilities of local, state, tribal, and national governments
SS.CG.5.4	explain how democracy relies upon active and responsible participation of citizens
SS.CG.5.5	describe the basic duties of the three branches of government
SS.E.5	The economics content standards for fifth grade are that each student will
SS.E.5.1	explain how people have to make choices between wants and needs and evaluate the outcomes or consequences of those choices
SS.E.5.2	identify positive and negative incentives that influence the decisions people make
SS.E.5.3	identify resources and labor that are used to produce goods and services
SS.E.5.4	explain the role of money in the exchange of goods and services
SS.E.5.5	describe the role of manufacturing and agriculture in the economy of the United States
SS.E.5.6	describe how interest rates impact economic decision making.
SS.G.5	The geography content standards for fifth grade are that each student will
SS.G.5.1	identify and label US regions, territories, states and their capitals/major cities
SS.G.5.2	create, organize, and present geographic information to show settlement patterns in the United States, including impacts on tribal lands
SS.G.5.3	analyze environmental and technological events and conditions and how humans and the environment impact each other with relation to settlements and migration
SS.H.5	The history content standards for fifth grade are that each student will
SS.H.5.1	interpret data presented in timelines



SS.5	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR FIFTH GRADE
SS.H.5.2	understand the inter-relationship of chronological historical events
SS.H.5.3	identify roles of individuals and groups and their impact on United States and tribal historical events
SS.H.5.4	understand the unique historical perspectives of American Indians
SS.H.5.5	analyze historical documents and their impact on tribes in Montana and their sovereignty



SIXTH – EIGHTH GRADES

SS.6-8	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR SIXTH THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE
SS.CG.6-8	The civics and government content standards for sixth through eighth grade are that each student will
SS.CG.6-8.1	explain a variety of forms of government from the past or present
SS.CG.6-8.2	explain the structure of and key principles in foundational documents, including the Montana Constitution
SS.CG.6-8.3	explain how global and American Indian civilizations and governments have contributed to foundational documents of the United States
SS.CG.6-8.4	distinguish the structure, organization, powers, and limits of government at the local, state, national, and tribal levels
SS.CG.6-8.5	identify events and leaders that ensure that key United States principles of equality and civil rights are applied to various groups, including American Indians
SS.CG.6-8.6	demonstrate that the United States government includes concepts of both a democracy and a republic
SS.CG.6-8.7	employ strategies for civic involvement that address a state or local, or national issues.
SS.E.6-8	The economics content standards for sixth through eighth grade are that each student will
SS.E.6-8.1	explain how economic decisions impact individuals, businesses, and society, including Indigenous societies
SS.E.6-8.2	analyze examples of how groups and individuals have considered profit and personal values in making economic choices in the past and/or present
SS.E.6-8.3	explain the roles of producers and consumers in market systems
SS.E.6-8.4	describe the role of competition in the determination of prices and wages in a market economy
SS.E.6-8.5	explain ways in which money facilitates exchange and impacts transactional costs



SS.6-8	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR SIXTH THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE
SS.E.6-8.6	explain how changes in supply, demand, and labor standards cause changes in prices and quantities of goods, services, and other capital
SS.G.6-8	The geography content standards for sixth through eighth grade are that each student will
SS.G.6-8.1	construct and analyze maps using scale, direction, symbols, legends, and projections to gather information about regions across the world
SS.G.6-8.2	identify the location of places and regions in the world and understand their physical, political, and cultural characteristics
SS.G.6-8.3	analyze maps and charts from a specific time period to understand an issue or event
SS.G.6-8.4	explain how the environment and geographic features have affected people and how people have affected the environment throughout Montana, the United States, and the world
SS.G.6-8.5	explain the role and impact of spatial patterns of settlement and movement in shaping societies and cultures, including Indigenous cultures
SS.G.6-8.6	identify how the historical and contemporary movement of people, goods, and ideas from one area can impact change, conflict, and cooperation in other areas
SS.G.6-8.7	identify the cultural roots of major world regions
SS.H.6-8	The history content standards for sixth through eighth grade are that each student will
SS.H.6-8.1	explore complex civilizations, and identify elements of change and continuity across historical eras in Montana, the Americas, and world history
SS.H.6-8.2	analyze how the historical events relate to one another and are shaped by historical context, including societies in the Americas
SS.H.6-8.3	analyze how, since European contact, historical events and policies have mutually impacted American Indian and European societies



SS.6-8	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR SIXTH THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE
SS.H.6-8.4	identify how new archaeological and scientific information shapes historical understanding
SS.H.6-8.5	explain how Montana has changed over time and how this history impacts the present
SS.H.6-8.6	understand that there are multiple perspectives and interpretations of historical events
SS.H.6-8.7	analyze how people's perspectives shaped the historical narratives they created
SS.H.6-8.8	identify limitations and biases in primary and secondary sources, specifically regarding misinformation and stereotypes
SS.H.6-8.9	understand that the questions people ask shape the conclusions they reach



NINTH – TWELFTH GRADES

SS.9-12	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR NINTH THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE
SS.CG.9-12	The civics and government content standards for ninth through twelfth grade are that each student will
SS.CG.9-12.1	analyze and evaluate the ideas and principles contained in the foundational documents of the United States, and explain how they establish a system of government that has powers, responsibilities, and limits
SS.CG.9-12.2	analyze the impact of constitutions, laws, treaties, and international agreements on the maintenance of domestic and international relationships
SS.CG.9-12.3	evaluate the impact of international agreements on contemporary world issues
SS.CG.9-12.4	apply civic virtues and democratic principles when working with others
SS.CG.9-12.5	evaluate how citizens and institutions address social and political problems at the local, state, tribal, national, and/or international levels
SS.CG.9-12.6	evaluate the American governmental system compared to international governmental systems
SS.CG.9-12.7	explain the foundations and complexity of sovereignty for federally recognized tribes in Montana
SS.CG.9-12.8	evaluate appropriate deliberative processes in multiple settings
SS.CG.9-12.9	evaluate government procedures for making decisions at the local, state, national, tribal, and international levels
SS.CG.9-12.10	analyze historical, contemporary, and emerging means of changing societies, promoting the common good, and protecting rights
SS.CG.9-12.11	analyze the impact and roles of personal interests and perspectives, market, media, and group influences on the application of civic virtues, democratic principles, constitutional rights, and human rights
SS.CG.9-12.12	evaluate citizens' and institutions' effectiveness in ensuring civil rights at the local, state, tribal, national, and international levels



SS.9-12	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR NINTH THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE
SS.E.9-12	The economics content standards for ninth through twelfth grade are that each student will
SS.E.9-12.1	analyze how pressures and incentives impact economic choices and their costs and benefits for different groups, including American Indians
SS.E.9-12.2	explain how economic cycles affect personal financial decisions
SS.E.9-12.3	analyze the ways in which pressures and incentives influence what is produced and distributed in a market system
SS.E.9-12.4	evaluate the extent to which competition among producers, among consumers, and among laborers exists in specific markets
SS.E.9-12.5	describe the consequences of competition in specific markets
SS.E.9-12.6	evaluate benefits, costs, and possible outcomes of government policies to influence market outcomes
SS.E.9-12.7	use current data to explain the influence of changes in spending, production, and the money supply on various economic conditions
SS.E.9-12.8	use economic indicators to analyze the current and future state of the economy
SS.E.9-12.9	evaluate the selection of monetary and fiscal policies in a variety of economic conditions.
SS.G.9-12	The geography content standards for ninth through twelfth grade are that each student will
SS.G.9-12.1	use geospatial reasoning to create maps to display and explain the spatial patterns of cultural and environmental characteristics
SS.G.9-12.2	use geographic data to analyze variations in the spatial patterns of cultural and environmental characteristics at multiple scales
SS.G.9-12.3	use maps, satellite images, photographs, and other representations to explain relationships between the locations of places and regions and their political, cultural, and economic dynamics
SS.G.9-12.4	analyze relationships and interactions within and between human and physical systems to explain reciprocal influences that occur among them, including American Indians



SS.9-12	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR NINTH THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE
SS.G.9-12.5	evaluate the impact of human settlement activities on the environmental, political, and cultural characteristics of specific places and regions
SS.G.9-12.6	analyze the role of geography on interactions and conflicts between various cultures in Montana, the United States, and the world
SS.G.9-12.7	evaluate the influence of long-term climate variability on human migration and settlement patterns, resource use, and land uses at local-to-global scales
SS.G.9-12.8	evaluate the consequences of human-driven and natural catastrophes on global trade, politics, and human migration
SS.H.9-12	The history content standards for ninth through twelfth grade are that each student will
SS.H.9-12.1	analyze how unique circumstances of time, place, and historical contexts shape individuals' lives
SS.H.9-12.2	analyze change and continuity in historical eras in US and world history
SS.H.9-12.3	identify ways in which people and groups exercise agency in difficult historical, contemporary, and tribal contexts
SS.H.9-12.4	analyze multiple, and complex causal factors that have shaped major events in US and world history, including American Indian history
SS.H.9-12.5	explain events in relation to both their intended and unintended consequences, including governmental policies impacting American Indians
SS.H.9-12.6	distinguish between long-term causes and triggering events in developing a historical argument
SS.H.9-12.7	analyze how historical, cultural, social, political, ideological, and economic contexts shape people's perspectives
SS.H.9-12.8	analyze the ways in which the perspectives of those writing history shaped the history they produced
SS.H.9-12.9	evaluate how historiography is influenced by perspective and available historical sources



SS.9-12	THE SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT STANDARDS FOR NINTH THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE
SS.H.9-12.10	analyze perspectives of American Indians in US history
SS.H.9-12.11	evaluate the limitations, biases, and credibility of various sources, especially regarding misinformation and stereotypes
SS.H.9-12.12	analyze multiple historical sources to pursue further inquiry and investigate additional sources
SS.H.9-12.13	integrate evidence from multiple relevant historical sources and interpretations into a reasoned argument about past and present people, events, and ideas
SS.H.9-12.14	construct arguments which reflect understanding and analysis of multiple historical sources, perspectives, and contexts