



NEW HOPE-SOLEBURY SCHOOL DISTRICT

***Engaging, Enriching, and Empowering All Students
through a World-Class Education***

Newly Reviewed and Adopted Social Studies k-12 Scope and Sequence

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (LES and UES k-5)	
Kindergarten	<p>WE ARE HERE: Communities: “My School and Family”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● NEW HOPE and SOLEBURY, BUCKS CO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SS TOOLKIT introduction: Geography, Culture, Religion, Political Systems, Economic ○ These are the themes that spiral throughout the Social Studies curriculum from k-12.
First Grade	<p>MAKING OUR WAY: Communities: “How can people make a difference in a community?”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Towns/cities, countries, continents ● Map skills ● New Hope-Solebury in the larger state of Pennsylvania and the U.S. ● SS TOOLKIT
Second Grade	<p>WE DO OUR PART: “How do cultures affect communities?”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What does it mean to be a good neighbor? Mexico and Canada as focus - neighbors to the north and south. ● How are regions formed and categorized in the US? ● SS TOOLKIT
Third Grade	<p>WE ARE CONNECTED: “How does Geography affect where people live?”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Immigration theme and cultural heritage ● U.S., its neighbors and international community ● SS TOOLKIT
Fourth Grade	<p>PENNSYLVANIA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● How does PA connect with the rest of the 50 states? Federal Government? ● States, capitals, regions, landforms ● Federalism ● SS TOOLKIT
Fifth Grade	<p>UNITED STATES HISTORY: “How was the U.S. formed?”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introducing colonies & early U.S. history/ independence ● How did the events in US history shape who we are today? ● Explorers, Colonial America and Revolution ● SS TOOLKIT
MIDDLE SCHOOL	

Sixth Grade	<p>From INDEPENDENCE to HISTORICAL INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A Humanities Approach - connected English Class readings. ● Culminating Activity - HIPSTER Fair (Project Based, Wax Museum style event). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Human Rights and Influential People ○ <i>Dystopia</i> - types of governments ● Foundations of U.S. Government from Ancient foundations (Greece/Rome) to French and British influences. <p>SS TOOLKIT</p>
Seventh Grade	<p>WORLD HISTORY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Feudal Europe, Middle Ages, Renaissance, Enlightenment ● World Cultures and Religions ● Current Events focus as a link to the past - “What role does the U.S. play in the world?” ● SS TOOLKIT
Eighth Grade	<p>AMERICAN HISTORY: Post Revolution, Civil War through the Industrial Revolution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Adopting the Constitution and early struggles ● Expansion - <i>Manifest Destiny</i> ● Civil War and Reconstruction ● To the modern era... ● SS TOOLKIT
HIGH SCHOOL	
Ninth Grade	<p>NON-WESTERN WORLD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Studies are focused on the following regions: Sub-Saharan Africa, the Middle East, South Asia (ex. India, Pakistan) and East Asia (ex, China, Japan) ● Focus on themes such as the commonality of human experience, the richness of cultural diversity, the environment, human rights, global interdependence, poverty and political instability ● Examination of colonialism and imperialism impact in the Non-West world. ● Project based approach with the infusion of the SS TOOLKIT
Tenth Grade	<p>U.S. HISTORY: America in the 20th Century (AP U.S. as an option)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Study of the U.S. from 1898-2001 ● Provide students with an understanding of the origins of the modern United States. ● Focus on the major social, political and economic events that impact today’s world and America. ● Topics will include immigration, business, politics, imperialism, world conflicts, social issues and economic concerns
Eleventh Grade	<p>DEMOCRACY IN AMERICA and CONTEMPORARY ISSUES (AP Gov as an option)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Democracy in America is the study of authority, power and decision-making. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Individual’s role in the American political system. ○ Three branches of the federal government, political parties, voting and the voter’s role in the electoral process, the development of the Constitution, and current policies. ● Contemporary Issues examines the social, political and economic conditions of the United States and the world in current times. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Project Based research and presentations required
Twelfth Grade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● AP U.S. Government and Politics, AP U.S. History, AP Psychology ● Elective options
HIGH SCHOOL ELECTIVES	
Grades 10-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● AP U.S. ● AP Government and Politics ● AP Europe ● AP Psychology

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Law and Justice● Economics● Intro to Psychology● Intro to Sociology● World War II and Fascism● History through Film
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