

8th Grade Social Studies Curriculum Map

Dates	Unit Title/Essential Question	Assessment
September /October	UT: World Geography Unit Essential Question: How does our global society and framework affect the lives of humans?	Country Research and Application Project
November	UT: The Presidencies of Adams and Jefferson Unit Essential Questions: What key problems did John Adams and Thomas Jefferson encounter as president? How did the U.S. Supreme Court establish themselves as a key player in American government?	Supreme Court Case Analyses
December/ January	UT: The American Civil War Unit Essential Question: What key factors and players contributed to the outbreak of Civil War in the U.S.?	Civil War Gallery Walk and Essay Writing
February	UT: The Industrial Revolution Unit Essential Question: In what way did technological invention and innovation improve transportation and the infrastructure of the United States?	Become an Inventor!

March	UT: Our Nation's Capitol: The History of Washington D.C. Unit Essential Question: How is Washington D.C. a symbol of both our past and our future?	Washington D.C. Class Trip
April/May	UT: The World Wars Unit Essential Question: Identify the immediate and long term causes and effects of The World Wars	Memory Box of a Soldier
May/June	UT: Cold War Politics Unit Essential Question: Can a ideological war be more dangerous than a physical war?	Website Creation