

Social Studies Resources

This document is intended to provide resources to support instruction of the Florida Next Generation Sunshine State Standards and the Florida Department of Education's Social Studies Education Program. Florida Standards and Course Descriptions can be accessed on CPALMS, <http://www.cpalms.org/>.

Content Area Literacy

Children's Book Council

<http://www.cbcbooks.org/>

The Children's Book Council (CBC) is the nonprofit trade association of children's book publishers in North America, dedicated to supporting the industry and promoting children's books and reading.

Civic Online Reasoning - Stanford History Education Group

<https://sheg.stanford.edu/civic-online-reasoning>

If young people are not prepared to critically evaluate the information that bombards them online, they are apt to be duped by false claims and misleading arguments. To help teachers tackle teaching these critical skills, Stanford History Education Group has developed assessments of civic online reasoning—the ability to judge the credibility of the information that floods young people's smartphones, tablets, and computer screens.

Content Area Literacy Guide

http://www.missionliteracy.com/uploads/3/1/5/8/3158234/ccsso_contentarealiteracyguide.pdf

The Content Area Literacy Guide is a resource to help high school teachers learn how to use literacy strategies as an essential means to help students master core content.

FDOE: Literacy for Learning in the Content Areas

<http://www.fldoe.org/academics/standards/subject-areas/literacy>

Learn about the Florida Department of Education's Literacy for Learning in the Content Areas program.

Florida Memory

<https://www.floridamemory.com>

The [Digital Storytelling](#) page is up on Florida Memory. Students can use Florida Memory's photographs, audio recordings, videos and primary source documents for their digital storytelling projects. With digital storytelling, students practice inquiry-based skills that are applicable across disciplines. The [Resources for Teachers and Librarians](#) page provides links to step-by-step modules that librarians and teachers can use to incorporate digital storytelling into the curriculum, as well as links to FDOE's information literacy resources.

Read Write Think

<http://www.readwritethink.org/>

ReadWriteThink provides educators, parents, and afterschool professionals with access to practices in reading and language arts instruction by offering free materials.

Library of Congress: Teacher's Guides and Analysis Tool

<http://www.loc.gov/teachers/usingprimarysources/guides.html>

Tools and guides for using primary sources in the classroom.

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NewsELA: Social Studies

<https://newsela.com/text-sets/#/featured>

Unlimited access to hundreds of leveled news articles to support social studies education, with new articles every day.

Tampering with History: Adapting Primary Sources for Struggling Readers

https://www.socialstudies.org/publications/socialeducation/september2009/tampering_with_history

This article hosted on the National Council for the Social Studies website provides strategies for adapting sources for the classroom aimed at allowing teachers to steer students toward authentic historical inquiry.

Subject Area: Social Studies, Strand: American History

Florida Students

<http://www.floridastudents.org/>

Benchmark aligned student tutorials and resources for high school United States history.

Digital History

<http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/>

Resources to help teachers enhance history teaching and research through primary sources, an online textbook, extensive reference resources, and interactive materials.

Dr. Seuss Went to War

<http://library.ucsd.edu/speccoll/dswenttowar/index.html#intro>

The Dr. Seuss Collection in the Mandeville Special Collections Library at the University of California, San Diego, contains original drawings and/or newspaper clippings.

Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History

<https://www.gilderlehrman.org/>

The Gilder Lehrman Collection is a unique archive of primary sources in American history. The Collection includes more than 60,000 letters, diaries, maps, pamphlets, printed books, newspapers, photographs, and ephemera that document the political, social, and economic history of the United States. An extensive resource for educators, students, and scholars.

HistoryMatters

www.historymatters.gmu.edu

This resource contains primary documents in text, image, and audio about the experiences of ordinary Americans throughout U.S. history. All of the documents have been screened by professional historians and are accompanied by annotations that address their larger historical significance and context.

Library of Congress: Teachers – American History

<http://www.loc.gov/topics/americanhistory.php>

The Library of Congress offers classroom materials and professional development to help teachers effectively use primary sources from the Library's vast digital collections in their teaching.

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Reading Like a Historian

<https://sheg.stanford.edu/history-lessons>

The Reading Like a Historian curriculum engages students in historical inquiry. Each lesson revolves around a central historical question and features a set of primary documents designed for groups of students with a range of reading skills.

TeachingAmericanHistory.org

www.TeachingAmericanHistory.org

TAH.org sponsors a variety of resources, courses, and programs to help classroom teachers improve their knowledge of American history, government, civics, and ideas through the use of primary documents.

TeachingHistory.org

<http://teachinghistory.org/>

Teachinghistory.org is designed to help K–12 history teacher’s access resources and materials to improve U.S. history education in the classroom.

The National Archives: DOCS Teach

<http://docsteach.org/>

The National Archives has selected thousands of primary source documents to bring the past to life as classroom teaching tools from the billions preserved at the National Archives. Use the search field to find written documents, images, maps, charts, graphs, audio and video in our ever-expanding collection that spans the course of American history.

Subject Area: Social Studies, Strand: Civics and Government

Florida Students

<http://www.floridastudents.org/>

Benchmark aligned student tutorials and resources for middle grades civics.

American Rhetoric Speech Bank

<http://www.americanrhetoric.com/speechbank.htm>

Dedicated to rhetoric and public communication in the United States, this resources offers an archive of speeches, movie speeches, and audio figures of speech.

Annenberg Classroom: Civics

www.annenbergclassroom.org

This website connects comprehensive curriculum on the Constitution and its amendments to daily civics news and student discussion.

Countable

<https://www.countable.us/>

Countable is politics made easy. Countable empowers voters with the knowledge and tools to directly influence policy and keep track of your Congressional Representatives. See upcoming bills, vote on them and see if your Senators or Congressperson listen.

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Democratic National Committee

<https://www.democrats.org/>

Official website of the Democratic Party.

Florida's Civic Health

<http://floridacivichealth.com/>

This resources provides reports on Florida's civic health.

Florida Joint Center for Citizenship (FJCC)

<http://floridacitizen.org/>

This resources provides middle grades civics resources, Civics in a Snap Lessons, Civics Connection, and Professional Development.

Florida Law Related Education Association, Inc. (FLREA)

<http://www.flrea.org/>

FLREA was established in 1984 to improve justice and expand education for democracy through the development and implementation of law related education programs for Florida youth.

Florida Standards Civics Tutorials

<http://www.floridastudents.org/#32|0|0|0>

On this site you will find resources located from all over the web to support your learning in language arts, mathematics, science, and civics.

The Living Room Candidate

www.livingroomcandidate.org/

Presidential campaign commercials since 1952 including video clips, information about the candidates, and election results.

Miller Center, University of Virginia

<http://millercenter.org/>

A nonpartisan institute that seeks to expand understanding of the presidency, policy, and political history for the nation's governance challenges.

National Park Service

<https://www.nps.gov/index.htm>

The National Park Service preserves the natural and cultural resources and values of the National Park System for the enjoyment, education, and inspiration of this and future generations.

Our Documents: 100 Milestone Documents

<http://www.ourdocuments.gov/content.php?page=milestone>

Provides primary source documents to help teach about the rights and responsibilities of citizens in a democracy.

Republican National Committee

<https://gop.com/>

Official website of the Republican Party.

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Kids USA

<https://kids.usa.gov/>

Kids.gov is the U.S. government's official web portal for kids.

United States Courts Educational Outreach

<http://www.uscourts.gov/about-federal-courts/educational-resources>

This site is maintained by the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts on behalf of the Federal Judiciary. The purpose of this site is to provide information from and about the Judicial Branch of the U.S. Government.

The White House

<https://www.whitehouse.gov>

The official White House site presents issue positions, news, appointments, offices and major speeches.

Subject Area: Social Studies, Strands: Economics and Financial Literacy

Division of Consumer Services at the Florida Department of Financial Services

<http://financeyourfuture.myfloridacfo.com/>

Finance Your Future is comprised of eight main modules on the topics of: Budgeting & Saving, Credit Cards, Banking, Credit Report & Score, Debt, Frauds & Scams, Insurance & Benefits and Life Events. Each module includes lessons, activities, games and a comprehensive knowledge check at the end.

FDIC Money Smart for Young Adults

<https://www.fdic.gov/consumers/consumer/moneysmart/young.html>

Help youth ages 12–20 learn the basics of handling their money and finances, including how to create positive relationships with financial institutions.

Federal Financial Literacy and Education Commission

<http://www.mymoney.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

This website is a product of the congressionally chartered Federal Financial Literacy and Education Commission, which is made up of more than 20 Federal entities that are coordinating and collaborating to strengthen financial capability and increase access to financial services for all Americans.

Federal Reserve Education

<https://www.federalreserveeducation.org/>

Instructional information about the Federal Reserve, economics and financial education.

Subject Area: Social Studies, Strand: Geography

CIA World Fact Book

<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/>

The World Factbook, produced for US policymakers and coordinated throughout the US Intelligence Community, marshals facts on every country, dependency, and geographic entity in the world. Historic Maps in K-12 Classrooms.

Florida Geography Bee Website

<http://www.flgeographybee.com/>

The Florida State Geography Bee is an annual event that takes place in schools all around the state.

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Historic Maps

<http://publications.newberry.org/k12maps/>

This resource for K-12 teachers and students developed by the Hermon Dunlap Smith Center for the History of Cartography at the Newberry Library is designed to bring historically significant map documents into your classroom.

Library of Congress: Geography Resources

<https://www.loc.gov/rr/geogmap/>

Links to geography resources from the Library of Congress.

National Council for Geographic Education, K-12 Teacher Resources

<http://www.ncge.org/resources>

The National Council for Geographic Education (NCGE) works to enhance the status and quality of geography teaching and learning.

U.S. Census Bureau: American Factfinder

<http://factfinder.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml>

Find popular facts (population, income, etc.) and frequently requested data about your community.

Subject Area: Social Studies, Strand: Humanities

Digital Public Library of America

<http://dp.la/>

The Digital Public Library of America brings together the riches of America's libraries, archives, and museums, and makes them freely available to the world.

FDOE: Fine Arts

<http://www.fldoe.org/academics/standards/subject-areas/fine-arts.stml>

Learn about the Florida Department of Education's Fine Arts education program.

Google Arts and Culture: Historical Events

<https://www.google.com/culturalinstitute/beta/category/event>

Explore stories and collections from around the world.

Marchand Archive Resources for Teachers

<http://historyproject.ucdavis.edu/marchand/>

The Marchand Archive contains two useful collections: the Image Collection and the Documentary Source Problems Collection. The Marchand Image Collection comprises more than 8600 images, many of which have been digitized from slides.

National Humanities Center

<http://nationalhumanitiescenter.org/>

A private, nonprofit organization, and the only independent institute dedicated exclusively to advanced study in all areas of the humanities.

Smithsonian Institute: Educators

<http://www.si.edu/Educators>

The Smithsonian brings content experts and educators together to strengthen American education and enhance our nation's ability to compete globally.

Subject Area: Social Studies, Strand: Psychology

American Psychological Society - Teaching Resources

<http://psych.hanover.edu/APS/teaching.html>

Information for students and teachers of psychology. Maintained by John H. Krantz, Ph.D., Hanover College.

Teaching Resources from APA and TOPSS

<http://www.apa.org/ed/precollege/topss/resources.aspx>

Through APA's Education Directorate, the APA Teachers of Psychology in Secondary Schools (TOPSS) aims to meet the curricular, professional development and networking needs of high school psychology teachers.

Subject Area: Social Studies, Strand: Sociology

American Sociological Association (ASA)

<http://www.asanet.org/teaching/HighSchool.cfm>

ASA offers resources and programs to support pedagogical and career success for faculty and teachers at all stages of their careers. ASA supports teachers with resources and a community of teachers to engage and excite students.

Subject Area: Social Studies, Strand: World History

Avalon Project: Documents in Law, History, and Diplomacy

<http://avalon.law.yale.edu/>

The Avalon Project offers digital primary source documents relevant to the fields of Law, History, Economics, Politics, Diplomacy and Government.

Bridging World History

<http://www.learner.org/courses/worldhistory/>

Bridging World History is organized into 26 thematic units along a chronological thread. Materials include videos, an audio glossary, and more.

EyeWitness to History

<http://www.eyewitnesstohistory.com/>

This website provides history through the eyes of those who lived it, from the Ancient World to the present.

Florida Holocaust Museum

<https://www.fholocaustmuseum.org/>

Features collection of works of art, photographs and historical artifacts. Includes virtual tours, hours, calendar of events, current and future exhibits.

Holocaust Memorial Miami Beach

<http://holocaustmemorialmiamibeach.org/>

The Holocaust Memorial Miami Beach has a wealth of educational material available for teachers and students. A DVD lending library has been created with over 120 titles. Information for teachers/students

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contains basic information about booking a field trip as well as links to a 146 page study guide which includes 6 lesson plans that can be used for a pre or post visit to the Memorial.

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The National Archives, UK

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/education/>

The official archive of the UK government with thousands of free resources. A fee is required to view some documents.

World Digital Library

<https://www.wdl.org/en/about/>

The World Digital Library (WDL) is a project of the U.S. Library of Congress, carried out with the support of the United Nations Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (UNESCO), and in cooperation with libraries, archives, museums, educational institutions, and international organizations from around the world.

Professional Organizations

Florida Council for History Education <http://www.flche.net/>

Florida Council For The Social Studies: <http://fcss.org>

Florida Council on Economic Education: <http://www.fcee.org/>

Florida Humanities Council: <https://floridahumanities.org/>

National Council for History Education <http://www.nche.net/>

National Council For The Social Studies: <http://www.socialstudies.org/>