

6th Grade Curriculum Map- Ancient History, 2023-2024

First Trimester	<p>Introduction to Geography: students review basic terms of geography, read maps accurately, and understand the basic concepts related to climate and geography. Essential Skills: <i>Reading maps, identifying locations of the world's continents and oceans.</i></p>
	<p>Prehistory: Beginning Man's Story: students explain sources of prehistoric times, develop a sense of time and of the remoteness of antiquity, appreciate the ingenuity, engineering, and artistic accomplishments of prehistoric people, understand how cities and civilization developed, and identify cultural characteristics of ancient Sumer and Egypt. Essential Skill: <i>Create timelines and write to explain chronology of events.</i></p>
	<p>The Mission of Israel: students sharpen the sense of the miraculous history of a people called by God, review the story of Moses and Exodus as it pertains to God's care for his chosen people, recognize the enemies God's people have had to contend with, and the courage and loyalty of God's faithful through trials, including the role of the prophets. Essential Skills: <i>Conduct long-term research projects and present research to peers.</i></p>
Second Trimester	<p>The Marvelous Greeks: Learn how the geography of Greece shaped its cultural development, know about the Trojan War and Homer's epic poetry, distinguish between democracy, monarchy, and oligarchy, and develop an appreciation for the Greek love of beauty, philosophy, and art. Essential Skill: <i>Write to <u>compare and contrast</u> two Greek city-states: Athens and Sparta.</i></p>
	<p>Eternal Rome: Comprehend the greatness and the importance of Rome, learn the contributions of Rome to the world, enjoy the legends and stories of Roman history, and place Rome and its empire in the narrative of Western history. Essential Skill: <i>Write to explain <u>cause and effect</u>: How Roman society changed because of its conquests.</i></p>
	<p>The Christian Church: A Gift from God: Learn the events of Jesus Christ's life and their historical background. Learn the story of the Christian Church's beginnings in the Apostolic Age, the contribution of St. Paul, and the first martyrdoms. Understand the role persecutions and heresy played in the growth of the early Church. Understand what effects the Christianization of the Roman Empire had on the Church. Understand the role and importance of the Church fathers and doctors, including how we got our Bible. Essential Skill: <i>Write to explain <u>problem and solution</u>: How the early Church responded to heresy and persecution.</i></p>
Third Trimester	<p>China: The Middle Kingdom: Know the names of China's major rivers, mountains and topography. To understand the effect of geography on China's history. To appreciate the beautiful artistic accomplishments of China.</p>
	<p>India: The World of Rajas: Recognize India as home to one of the world's first civilizations. To learn the significance of India's geography to its history. To have a working knowledge of India's various religions, including the role of the Christian Faith in India's history. Understand India's caste system. To understand the cultural richness of India and its contributions to the world.</p>