

# SOCIAL STUDIES

**Integrated Social Studies 9** 1 credit Fee: \$7.00

This course is the first in a series of social studies courses designed to address the American heritage, people in societies, world interactions, decision making and resources, democratic process, as well as citizenship rights and responsibilities. The time frame covers the periods following Reconstruction through 1920.

**Integrated Social Studies 10** 1 credit Fee: \$7.00

This course is the second in a series of social studies courses designed to address the American heritage, people in societies, world interactions, decision making and resources, democratic process, as well as citizenship rights and responsibilities. The time frame covers the years of 1920 to the Present.

**Honors Soc Studies 10** 1 credit Full Year Fee: \$7.00

*Pre-requisite: Recommendation of current Social Studies teacher*

Historical fiction and non-fiction pieces are explored in order to “bring to life” and fuse the study of world history and language arts for the highly motivated, college-bound student. Students will read, analyze, and create pieces of expository, persuasive, personal narrative, and satirical writings in order to gain a deeper understanding of historical time periods of 1920 to the present.

**Social Studies 11 (Geopolitics)** 1 credit Fee: \$7.00

This course focuses on modern world history, geography, cultures, governments and religions. Students will explore the United States’ foreign policy and relationship with other countries. Major issues included are the Middle East Crisis, the global economy, terrorism and the effectiveness of regional and global organizations such as the U.N., NATO, and the E.U. A formal research paper is required for this course as well as a Community Service project that continues into American Government (12).

**Honors Social Studies 11 (Geopolitics)** 1 credit Fee: \$7.00

*Pre-requisite: Recommendation of current Social Studies Teacher*

Students will focus on modern world history, geography, cultures, governments and religions at an accelerated pace and expanded depth. Major issues included are the Middle East Crisis, global economy, terrorism, and the influence of world leaders. Course guiding questions center on the effectiveness of global and regional organizations as well as brainstorming various solutions to on-going world conflicts. A formal research paper is required for this course with a concentration on exhaustive research techniques and writing skills. In addition there is a Community Service project that will continue into American Government (12).

**American Government (12)** 1 credit Fee: \$7.00

Students will learn the importance of the American democratic system as it relates to separation of powers and checks and balances. Topics of study will include all three branches of government (Executive, Legislative, and Judicial), The United States Constitution, and the U.S. court system.

## Social Studies (Cont.)

### **Sociology (11-12)**

½ credit

No Fee

This course covers the basic principles of culture, social structure, collective behavior, and social problems.

### **Psychology (11-12)**

½ credit

No Fee

This course involves the study of the behavior of the individual. It is oriented to help the teenager in his/her development of self-awareness.

### **Economics (11-12)**

½ credit

No Fee

This course relates economic concepts and business principals to real-life situations. This class will be taught with the assistance of a volunteer from the business community. Topics will include such things as free enterprise, supply and demand, and the consumer in our economy.