



Pre-K - Grade 12 ASD Social Studies Mission

ASD Social Studies students are empowered to be positive global citizens and 21st century learners who strive for understanding through critical thinking, cross-curricular connections, and undertaking effective community action. We believe that students need to play an active role in their learning to participate in an ever changing and diverse world.

ASD Social Studies Vision

ASD is a vibrant learning community empowering, collaborative, inquiry-based, diverse, historically informed, applied to the present, and shaping the future.

Essential Agreements for Social Studies

Teachers will encourage the use of higher order, critical thinking skills.

Teachers will differentiate instruction to meet the varying needs of students.

Teachers will use a variety of tools to facilitate and assess the social studies curriculum.

Teachers will use contextual examples to guide instruction and provide learning opportunities for students that extend global understanding.

Teachers will acknowledge multiple perspectives when teaching concepts.

Teachers will emphasize interconnectivity and diversity among cultures, peoples, and environment.

Teachers will use subject specific terminology.

Teachers will utilize primary and secondary resources for instruction when applicable.

Teachers will collaborate to teach a vertically aligned curriculum.