

Diocese of Greensburg Curriculum Global Perspectives

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Global Issues/Current Events	NCSS: Social Studies 2010 NCSS: High TIME, CONTINUITY, AND CHANGE Knowledge Learners will understand Different interpretations of the history of societies, cultures, and humankind; Concepts such as: era, chronology, causality, change, continuity, conflict, historiography, historical method, primary and secondary sources, cause and effect, and multiple perspectives; The contributions of philosophies, ideologies, individuals, institutions, and key events and turning points in shaping history; PEOPLE, PLACES, AND ENVIRONMENTS Knowledge Learners will understand Concepts such as: location, physical and human characteristics of national and global regions in the past and present, and the interactions of humans with the environment; Processes Learners will be able to Analyze different interpretations of the causes and effects of migrations of people in various times and places on the globe;	 Migrations of refugees and others Refugees as an issue in international conflicts Migrations of "guest workers" to European cities Widespread but unequal access to computers and instantaneous communications Genetic engineering and bioethics Contrasts between developed and developed and developing nations Geographic locations of major developed and developing countries Economic conditions Social conditions (literacy, access to health care) Population size and rate of growth Factors affecting environment and society Economic development & Rapid population growth Environmental challenges; Pollution, Loss of habitat, Global climate change Social challenges: Poverty, Poor health, illiteracy, Famine, and Migration 	 Demonstrate knowledge of cultural, economic, and social conditions in developed and developing nations of the contemporary world by: Identifying contemporary political issues, with emphasis on migrations of refugees and others, ethnic/religious conflicts, and the impact of technology, including chemical and biological technologies; Assessing the impact of economic development and global population growth on the environment and society, including an understanding of the links between economic and political freedom; Describing economic interdependence, including the rise of multinational corporations, international organizations, and trade agreements; Analyzing the increasing impact of terrorism.

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	INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT AND IDENTITY Knowledge Learners will understand That complex and varied interactions among individuals, groups, cultures, and nations contribute to the dynamic nature of personal identity; Processes Learners will be able to Discuss the relative importance of peer and parental influence in different cultural groups. Products Learners demonstrate understanding by Analyzing the similarities and differences in the values and traditions honored across cultures or historical eras, and presenting the findings in a product of their choice. INDIVIDUALS, GROUPS, AND INSTITUTIONS Processes Learners will be able to Understand examples of tensions between belief systems and governmental actions and policies PRODUCTION, DISTRIBUTION, AND CONSUMPTION Knowledge Learners will understand Scarcity and the uneven distribution of resources result in economic decisions, and foster consequences that may support cooperation or conflict;	 Economic interdependence Role of rapid transportation, communication, and computer networks Rise and influence of multinational corporations Changing role of international boundaries Regional integration, e.g., European Union Trade agreements, e.g., North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), World Trade Organization (WTO) International organizations, e.g., United Nations (UN), International Monetary Fund (IMF) Examples of international terrorism Governmental responses to terrorist activities 	

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Puv Hea	Processes Learners will be able to Apply the concepts of marginal cost and marginal benefit to the analysis of social problems;	• Carbon footprint	The students will be able to:
Buy Use Toss,/Environmental Issues	CCSS: Literacy in History/Social Studies, Science, & Technical Subjects 6-12 CCSS: Grades 9-10 Reading: History/Social Studies 2. Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas. RH.9-10.2. Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of how key events or ideas develop over the course of the text. CCSS: Grades 11-12 Reading: History/Social Studies Key Ideas and Details 1. Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text. RH.11-12.1. Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, connecting insights gained from specific details to an understanding of the text as a whole. 2. Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their	 Carbon footprint Consumption Corporate social responsibility Culture Distribution Ecological footprint Environmental justice Globalization Marketing materials economy Media literacy Natural resource extraction Production Quality of life Structural solution Sustainability Sustainable design System waste disposal 	 Engage in a critical analysis of Describe consumption Examine trends of modern disposal of Analyze material goods in the United States Analyze ways in which consumption Choose reflect people's lifestyle and culture Identify resources, processes, and impacts Analyze interconnections among lifestyle, Assess population, economy, and environment Determine ways to reduce ecological footprint and other impacts Analyze interconnections among lifestyle, population, economy, and environment Determine ways to reduce ecological footprint and other impacts associated with material goods Explain various factors that might contribute to a company's sourcing decisions Describe real-life working conditions Weigh the pros and cons of corporate

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	development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas. RH.11-12.2. Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary that makes clear the relationships among the key details and ideas. 3. Analyze how and why individuals, events, or ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.		 Develop corporate policies with sustainability in mind Identify costs and benefits of global trade Identify the processes and people involved In product distribution Evaluate the sustainability of distribution Analyze data in order to determine ways to Increase sustainability of a distribution system
	RH.11-12.3. Evaluate various explanations for actions or events and determine which explanation best accords with textual evidence, acknowledging where the text leaves matters uncertain.		
	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas 7. Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse formats and media, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.		
	RH.11-12.7. Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, as well as in words) in order to address a question or solve a problem.		
	PA: Economics (2009) PA: Grade 12 6.1 Scarcity and Choice Pennsylvania's public schools shall		
	teach, challenge and support every student to realize his or her maximum potential and to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to:		

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	6.1.12.A. Predict the long-term consequences of decisions made because of scarcity.		
	6.1.12.B. Evaluate the economic reasoning behind a choice. Evaluate effective allocation of resources for the production of goods and services.		
	6.1.12.C. Analyze the opportunity cost of decisions made by individuals, businesses, communities, and nations.		
	6.1.12.D. Predict how changes in incentives may affect the choices made by individuals, businesses, communities, and nations.		
	6. 2 Markets and Economic Systems		
	Pennsylvania's public schools shall teach, challenge and support every student to realize his or her maximum potential and to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to:		
	6.2.12.A. Evaluate the flow of goods and services in an international economy.		
	6.2.12.C. Predict and evaluate how media affects markets.		
	6.2.12.D. Predict how changes in supply and demand affect equilibrium price and quantity sold.		
	6.2.12.E. Evaluate the health of an economy (local, regional, national, global) using economic indicators.		
	6.2.12.F. Evaluate the impact of private economic institutions on the individual, the national and the international economy.		

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	6.3 Functions of Government Pennsylvania's public schools shall teach, challenge and support every student to realize his or her maximum potential and to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to:		
	6.3.12.B. Assess the government's role in regulating and stabilizing the state and national economy.		
	6.3.12.C. Evaluate the social, political, and economic costs/benefits of potential changes to taxation policies.		
	6.4 Economic Interdependence Pennsylvania's public schools shall teach, challenge and support every student to realize his or her maximum potential and to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to:		
	6.4.12.B. Assess the growth and impact of international trade around the world.		
	6.4.12.C. Evaluate the impact of multinational corporations and other non-government organizations.		
	6.5 Income, Profit, and Wealth Pennsylvania's public schools shall teach, challenge and support every student to realize his or her maximum potential and to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to:		
	6.5.12.A. Analyze the factors influencing wages.		
	6.5.12.B. Evaluate how changes in education, incentives, technology, and capital investment alter productivity.		
	6.5.12.C. Analyze the costs and benefits of organizing a business as a		

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	sole proprietorship, partnership, or corporation. 6.5.12.D. Analyze the role of profits and losses in the allocation of resources in a market economy. 6.5.12.E. Compare distribution of wealth across nations. 6.5.12.H. Evaluate benefits and costs of changes in interest rates for individuals and society. © Copyright 2010. National Governors Association Center for Best Practices and Council of Chief State School Officers. All rights reserved.		
Geography and Culture of the Middle East	NCSS: Social Studies 2010 NCSS: High GLOBAL CONNECTIONS Knowledge Learners will understand Global connections are rapidly accelerating across cultures and nations, and can have both positive and negative effects on nations and individuals; The solutions to global issues may involve individual decisions and actions, but also require national and international approaches (e.g., agreements, negotiations, policies, or laws); Conflict and cooperation among the peoples of the earth influence the division and control of the earth's surface; The causes and consequences of various types of global connections; Individuals, organizations, nations, and international entities can work to increase the positive effects of global	 Middle East Northern Africa Map Stereotype Picturing the Middle East The Magic of Stereotypes Exploring Terms 	 Explore the major geographical features of the different regions of the Middle East. Determine how geography affects culture. Examine and interpret maps, charts, and graphs. Analyze the impact of economic choices on the allocation of scarce resources. Compare how Middle Eastern values are similar to and different from western values. Interpret Middle Eastern values based on examination of cultural artifacts such as proverbs, folktales, and art. Analyze the role of women in various Middle Eastern societies.

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	connections, and address the negative impacts of global issues. Processes Learners will be able to Ask and find answers to questions about the ways in which people and societies are connected globally today and were connected in the past; Use maps, charts, and databases to explore patterns and predict trends regarding global connections at the community, state, or national level; Explain how language, belief systems, and other cultural elements can facilitate global understanding or cause misunderstanding; Describe and explain conditions and motivations that contribute to conflict, cooperation, and interdependence among groups, societies, and nations; Analyze and evaluate the effects of changing technologies on the global community; Analyze the causes and consequences of persistent, contemporary, and emerging global issues, and evaluate possible solutions; Describe and evaluate the role of international and multinational organizations in the global arena; Identify concerns, issues, conflicts, and possible resolutions related to issues involving universal human rights; Products Learners demonstrate understanding by Writing reports, letters, or editorials on critical global issues; Writing an action plan for addressing a global issue individually and together with other members of the community;		

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Israel/Palestine: Histories in Conflict	NCSS: High GLOBAL CONNECTIONS Knowledge Learners will understand Global connections are rapidly accelerating across cultures and nations, and can have both positive and negative effects on nations and individuals; The solutions to global issues may involve individual decisions and actions, but also require national and international approaches (e.g., agreements, negotiations, policies, or laws); Conflict and cooperation among the peoples of the earth influence the division and control of the earth's surface; The actions of people, communities, and nations have both short- and long- term effects on the biosphere and its ability to sustain life; Processes Learners will be able to Use maps, charts, and databases to explore patterns and predict trends regarding global connections at the community, state, or national level; Explain how language, belief systems, and other cultural elements can facilitate global understanding or cause misunderstanding; Describe and explain conditions and motivations that contribute to conflict, cooperation, and interdependence among groups, societies, and nations; Describe and evaluate the role of international and multinational organizations in the global arena; Identify concerns, issues, conflicts, and possible resolutions related to issues involving universal human rights;	 Same Land- Different Histories May 14 1948: Independence or Catastrophe? 1967: Deepening the Divide Whose Fear and Whose Security? Singing the Struggle The Politics of Maps 	 Compare and contrast primary and secondary religious texts: The Old Testament, The Koran, The New Testament. Compare and contrast the three great religions of Christianity, Judaism, and Islam. Analyze Muhammad's view of society by reading passages from the Koran and compare with other Judeo/Christian texts. Evaluate significant periods from Middle East history: Muhammad and Early Islam The Crusades – Islamic caliphates Conquests to 1914 WWI through Mandate Period Arab/Israeli Wars 1948-1973 Civil Unrest, War, and Independence 1974 to present Analyze multiple interpretations of cause and effect throughout Middle East history.

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	Products Learners demonstrate understanding by Analyzing or formulating policy statements demonstrating an understanding of concerns, standards, issues, and conflicts related to universal human rights;		
Global Banking and Finance	NCSS: Social Studies 2010 NCSS: High PRODUCTION, DISTRIBUTION, AND CONSUMPTION Knowledge Learners will understand Scarcity and the uneven distribution of resources result in economic decisions, and foster consequences that may support cooperation or conflict; The causes and effects of inflation; The roles of institutions that are designed to support and regulate the economy (e.g., the Federal Reserve, and the World Bank); How factors such as changes in the market, levels of competition, and the rate of employment, cause changes in prices of goods and services; How interest rates rise and fall in order to maintain a balance between loans and amounts saved; How markets fail, and the government response to these failures; Processes Learners will be able to Explain how monetary decisions at the national level (such as the Federal Reserve Bank in the United States) affect households, businesses, and governments; Analyze how the trade off between risk and return is played out in the marketplace;	 Personal income Payroll deductions Effective spending habits Financial goal(s) statement Command, Market, and Traditional economies Savings accounts, stocks, and bonds Insurance Financial loss "Easy Money" 	 Explain basic concepts of global banking and finance. Articulate the fundamentals of international investment, exchange rates, and international banking. Compare and contrast the current issues in global banking and finance from different perspectives. Analyze the costs and benefits of various types of credit Apply strategies to avoid or correct debt management problems Explore job and career options Compare sources of personal income and compensation Analyze factors that affect net income Recognize the responsibilities associated with personal financial decisions Use reliable resources when making financial decisions Make criterion-based financial decisions by systematically considering alternatives and consequences Apply communication strategies when discussing financial issues Use a personal financial plan Explain how investing may build wealth and help meet financial goals

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	Products Learners demonstrate understanding by Interpreting media reports about current economic conditions, and explaining in visual formats how these conditions can influence decisions by consumers, producers, and government policymakers; Researching and presenting in visual form the varied ripple effects of public policies such as tax laws, environmental and safety regulations, and Federal Reserve Bank decisions; GLOBAL CONNECTIONS Knowledge Learners will understand Conflict and cooperation among the peoples of the earth influence the division and control of the earth's surface; The actions of people, communities, and nations have both short- and long-term effects on the biosphere and its ability to sustain life; Technological advances can both improve and detract from the quality of life; Individuals, organizations, nations, and international entities can work to increase the positive effects of global connections, and address the negative impacts of global issues. Processes Learners will be able to Describe and explain conditions and motivations that contribute to conflict, cooperation, and interdependence among groups, societies, and nations; Analyze and evaluate the effects of changing technologies on the global community; Analyze the relationships and tensions between national sovereignty and global interests, in matters such as		 Evaluate investment alternatives Discuss and identify the payroll deductions that are withheld from paychecks Recognize the 4 four choices that can be made with our money Describe the importance of developing effective spending habits Identify the key components of and differences between Command, Market, and Traditional economies Evaluate the differences between savings accounts, stocks, and bonds Explain how investing in real estate and business ventures help you increase your wealth Identify the various methods of protecting assets Discuss the benefits of insurance Relate how the act of budgeting can reduce risk of experiencing financial loss Examine the concept of "Easy Money"

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	territorial rights, economic development, the use of natural resources, and human rights; Describe and evaluate the role of international and multinational organizations in the global arena; Products Learners demonstrate understanding by Writing reports, letters, or editorials on critical global issues; Analyzing or formulating policy statements demonstrating an understanding of concerns, standards, issues, and conflicts related to universal human rights;		



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