

# 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies TEKS/TAKS Overview

## 8th Grade U.S. History

- 1776, 1787, 1861-1865
- Thomas Jefferson and George Washington
- Strengths and Weaknesses of Articles of Confederation
- Colonial Grievances in Declaration of Independence and how they were addressed in the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights
- Geographic distributions and patterns in maps, graphs and charts
- Reasons for growth of representative government and institutions during Colonial period
- Influences of Magna Carta, English Bill of Rights, Declaration of Independence, Federalist Papers on U.S. system of government
- Principles of limited government, republicanism, checks and balances, federalism, separation of powers, popular sovereignty and individual rights
- Impact of 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, and 15<sup>th</sup> Amendments
- Conflicts arising over states' rights – Nullification and Civil War
- Definition and examples of unalienable rights
- Bill of Rights
- Importance of Free Speech and Free Press
- Use primary and secondary sources
- Identify point of view, frame of reference, identify bias in written and visual material

## TEKS Common to World History and World Geography

- How Geography of Places in the Past and Spatial Exchange (Diffusion) influenced past and present
- Effects of physical and human geographic patterns – physical features, environmental conditions influencing migration patterns and distribution of culture groups today
- Spatial diffusion – Bubonic plague, exchange of foods between Old and New World
- Patterns in the size and distribution of cities using maps, graphics and other information
- Effects of physical and human geographic factors on major world events in history
- Interpret historical maps to identify geographic factors that have influenced people and events
- Examples of technological innovations at various periods in history and change produced
- Analyze political, economic, social and demographic data relating to development and standard of living in nations
- Compare subsistence agriculture vs. market-oriented agriculture and cottage industries vs. commercial industries
- Impact of migration, war, trade, independent inventions and diffusion of ideas and cultural change
- Compare ways physical environment is modified (state, national and international)
- Interpret maps, infer geographic relationships and analyze geographic change
- Analyze information – sequencing, categorizing, identify cause and effect, comparing and contrasting, finding main idea, summarizing, making generalization, drawing inferences and conclusions
- Interpret visuals – graphs, charts, timelines, and maps