



Alignment Document
State of Oregon and Aventa Learning Civics

Civics
2005-2007 Benchmark Blueprint

Strand	Common Curriculum Goal	Content Standard	Standard	Unit Name	Course Topic Description
SS.CM.SA Social Science Analysis	Define and clarify an issue so that its dimensions are well understood.	Identify, research, and clarify an event, issue, problem, or phenomenon of significance to society.	SS.CM.SA.01 Define, research, and explain an event, issue, problem, or phenomenon and its significance to society.	The Foundations of the American Political System	Writing Activity 12
				City Government	Writing Activity 15
				Political Parties	Discussion 17: Let's Get Controversial
SS.CM.SA Social Science Analysis	Acquire and organize materials from primary and secondary sources	Gather, use, and evaluate researched information to support analysis and conclusions.	SS.CM.SA.02 Gather, analyze, use, and document information from various sources, distinguishing facts, opinions, inferences, biases, stereotypes, and persuasive appeals.	The Foundations of the American Political System	Discussion 11: Debating the 2 nd Amendment
				Political Parties	Discussion 17: Let's Get Controversial
			SS.CM.SA.03 Understand what it means to be a critical consumer of information.	The Foundations of the American Political System	Discussion 11: Debating the 2 nd Amendment
				City Government	Discussion 15: Home Rule
SS.CM.SA Social Science Analysis	Explain various perspectives on an event or issue and the reasoning behind them.	Understand an event, issue, problem, or phenomenon from multiple perspectives.	SS.CM.SA.04 Analyze an event, issue, problem, or phenomenon from varied or opposed perspectives or points of view.	All Units	Discussions 2-17



<p>SS.CM.SA Social Science Analysis</p>	<p>Identify and analyze an issue.</p>	<p>Identify and analyze characteristics, causes, and consequences of an event, issue, problem, or phenomenon.</p>	<p>SS.CM.SA.05 Analyze an event, issue, problem, or phenomenon, identifying characteristics, influences, causes, and both short- and long-term effects.</p>	<p>Civic Life, Politics, and Government The Foundations of the American Political System The Foundations of the American Political System City Government City Government</p>	<p>Writing Activity 2: Discovery Search Writing Assignment Writing Activity 9 Writing Activity 11 Writing Activity 15 Discussion 16: Looking into the Future</p>
<p>SS.CM.SA Social Science Analysis</p>	<p>Select a course of action to resolve an issue.</p>	<p>Identify, compare, and evaluate outcomes, responses, or solutions, then reach a supported conclusion.</p>	<p>SS.CM.SA.06 Propose, compare, and judge multiple responses, alternatives, or solutions, then reach a defensible, supported conclusion.</p>	<p>Civic Life, Politics, and Government Civic Life, Politics, and Government The Foundations of the American Political System The Foundations of the American Political System City Government Political Parties Political Parties</p>	<p>Discussion 2: James Madison and You Writing Activity 2: Discovery Search Writing Assignment Discussion 5 Discussion 11: Debating the 2nd Amendment Discussion 15: Home Rule Discussion 17: Let's Get Controversial Writing Activity 16: One</p>



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SS.CM.CG Civics and Government	Understand the origins, purposes, and functions of U.S. government, including the structure and meaning of the U.S. Constitution.	Understand the purposes of government and the basic constitutional principles of the United States republican form of government.	SS.CM.CG.01 Understand the purpose of laws and government, provisions to limit power, and the ability to meet changing needs as essential ideas of the Constitution.	Civic Life, Politics, and Government Civic Life, Politics, and Government Civic Life, Politics, and Government Civic Life, Politics, and Government The Foundations of the American Political System The Foundations of the American Political System The Foundations of the American Political System The Foundations of the American Political System The Foundations of the American Political System	What is Government? Why are Government and Politics Necessary? The Rule of Law The Relationship of Limited Government to Political and Economic Freedom The Nature and Purposes of Constitutions Writing the Constitution Supporting the Constitution Goals of the Constitution A Dynamic and Flexible Constitution Changes in Government

			SS.CM.CG.01.01 Understand the "supremacy clause" of the U.S. Constitution as a means of resolving conflicts between state and federal law.	The Foundations of the American Political System	A Federal System
			SS.CM.CG.01.02 Understand the concept of judicial review as a means of resolving conflict over the interpretation of the Constitution and the actions of government.	The Foundations of the American Political System	Checks and Balances
				The Foundations of the American Political System	Changes in Government
			SS.CM.CG.01.03 Understand how to amend the U.S. Constitution and the Oregon Constitution including how amendments may be introduced, what is required for passage, and how the process accommodates changing needs and the preservation of values and principles.	The Foundations of the American Political System	A Dynamic and Flexible Constitution
				The Foundations of the American Political System	Changes in Government
				State Government	State Constitutions
SS.CM.CG Civics and Government	Understand the organization, responsibilities, and interrelationships of local, state, and federal governments in the United States.	Understand the responsibilities and interrelationships of local, state, and national government in the U.S.	SS.CM.CG.02 Understand the interrelationship between local, state, and federal government.	The Foundations of the American Political System	A Federal System
				State Government	Division of Powers
				State Government	The States and the Federal Government
				State Government	Local Government
				City Government	How Governments Work Together
			City Government	Cooperation in Education	



			<p>SS.CM.CG.02.01 Understand the primary function of the federal, state, and local levels of government and how the actions of one influence the workings of the others.</p>	<p>The Foundations of the American Political System</p> <p>The Foundations of the American Political System</p> <p>State Government</p> <p>State Government</p> <p>State Government</p> <p>State Government</p> <p>State Government</p> <p>State Government</p> <p>State Government</p> <p>State Government</p> <p>State Government</p> <p>State Government</p> <p>State Government</p> <p>City Government</p> <p>City Government</p> <p>City Government</p>	<p>Three Branches of Government</p> <p>Checks and Balances</p> <p>Division of Powers</p> <p>State Constitutions</p> <p>State Legislatures – Organization</p> <p>State Legislatures at Work</p> <p>The State Executive Branch</p> <p>Other State Executive Officials</p> <p>State Courts</p> <p>Local Government</p> <p>County Governments</p> <p>Organization</p> <p>Three Forms of City Government</p> <p>How Governments Work Together</p>
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				City Government	Cooperation in Education
				City Government	City Governments Working Together
			SS.CM.CG.02.02 Understand how federalism creates shared and reserved powers at each level of government.	The Foundations of the American Political System	Writing the Constitution
				The Foundations of the American Political System	A Federal System
				State Government	Division of Powers
				State Government	Local Government
				City Government	How Governments Work Together
SS.CM.CG Civics and Government	Understand the roles of the three branches of government and explain how their powers are distributed and shared.	Understand the roles and powers of the executive, legislative, and judicial branches.	SS.CM.CG.03 Understand how the branches of government have powers and limitations.	Civic Life, Politics, and Government	The Essential Characteristics of Limited and Unlimited Government
				The Foundations of the American Political System	Three Branches of Government
			The Foundations of the American Political System	Checks and Balances	
			SS.CM.CG.03.01 Understand how laws are developed and applied to provide order, set limits, protect basic rights, and promote the common good.	The Foundations of the American Political System	Three Branches of Government
				State Government	State Legislatures at Work
				State Government	Citizen Action



				State Government	The State Executive Branch
			SS.CM.CG.03.02 Understand the process by which laws are developed at the federal level, and key differences between how laws are developed at the federal level and in Oregon.	The Foundations of the American Political System	Three Branches of Government
				State Government	State Legislatures at Work
				State Government	Citizen Action
				State Government	The State Executive Branch
			SS.CM.CG.03.03 Identify and understand the powers and limits to power of the Presidency.	The Foundations of the American Political System	Three Branches of Government
				The Foundations of the American Political System	Checks and Balances
SS.CM.CG Civics and Government	Understand personal and political rights of citizens in the United States.	Understand the roles, rights, and responsibilities of citizens in the United States.	SS.CM.CG.04 Understand the role of the courts and of the law in protecting the rights of U.S. citizens.	Civic Life, Politics, and Government	The Rule of Law
				State Government	State Courts
				Political Parties	The Right to Vote
			SS.CM.CG.04.01 Understand how the Bill of Rights offers protection of individual rights and how rights are limited for the benefit of the common good.	Civic Life, Politics, and Government	Politics! Politics! Everywhere: Is There Meaning Anywhere?
				The Foundations of the American Political System	The Bill of Rights
				The Foundations of the American Political System	Bill of Rights: The First Amendment



				The Foundations of the American Political System	The Second and Third Amendments
				The Foundations of the American Political System	The Fourth and Fifth Amendments
				The Foundations of the American Political System	The Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Amendments
				The Foundations of the American Political System	The Ninth and Tenth Amendments
			SS.CM.CG.04.02 Understand the role of due process in the protection of individuals.	The Foundations of the American Political System	The Fourth and Fifth Amendments
			SS.CM.CG.04.03 Understand how the rights of citizens have been augmented by case law decisions.	The Foundations of the American Political System	The Ninth and Tenth Amendments
SS.CM.CG Civics and Government	Understand participatory responsibilities of citizens in the community (voluntarism) and in the political process (becoming informed about public issues and candidates, joining political parties/interest groups/associations, communicating with public officials, voting, influencing lawmaking through such processes as petitions/initiatives).	Understand the participatory obligations of U.S. citizens.	SS.CM.CG.05 Understand the civic responsibilities of U.S. citizens and how they are met.	Civic Life, Politics, and Government	The Double Lives of the American Citizen
				Civic Life, Politics, and Government	The Citizen's "Civil Life:" Duties and Responsibilities
				State Government	Citizen Action
			SS.CM.CG.05.01 Identify the responsibilities of citizens in the United States and understand what an individual can do to meet these responsibilities.	Civic Life, Politics, and Government	The Citizen's "Civil Life:" Duties and Responsibilities
				State Government	Citizen Action
				State Government	Civil Action Project



SS.CM.CG Civics and Government	Understand how government is influenced and changed by support and dissent of individuals, groups, and international organizations.	Understand how individuals, groups, and international organizations influence government.	SS.CM.CG.06 Understand how government policies and decisions have been influenced and changed by individuals, groups, and international organizations.	Civic Life, Politics, and Government	The Civil Society
				State Government	Citizen Action
				Political Parties	Role of Political Parties
			SS.CM.CG.06.01 Understand how U.S. political parties have influenced government policy and decisions.	Political Parties	Role of Political Parties
				Political Parties	Beginnings of the Two-Party System
				Political Parties	The Democratic and Republican Parties
			Political Parties	Third Parties	
			Political Parties	Political Party Organization	
			Political Parties	Political Party Finances	
			Political Parties	Primary Elections	
			Political Parties	General Elections	
			Political Parties	Voting	
			SS.CM.CG.06.02 Understand the causes, course, and impact of the civil rights/equal rights movements.		
			SS.CM.CG.06.03 Understand the Constitutional changes that resulted from major events in the 20th century.		
SS.CM.CG Civics and Government	Understand how nations interact with each other, how events and issues in other countries can affect	Understand how the United States government relates and interacts with other nations.	SS.CM.CG.07 Understand the purposes and functions of major international organizations and the role of the United States in them.		



	citizens in the United States, and how actions and concepts of democracy and individual rights of the United States can affect other peoples and nations.		<p>SS.CM.CG.07.01 Understand and give examples of how international organizations influence policies or decisions.</p> <p>SS.CM.CG.07.02 Understand the purposes and functions of the United Nations, and the role of the United States in the United Nations.</p> <p>SS.CM.CG.07.03 Understand the purpose and function of international humanitarian agencies and special interest advocacy groups, and how the United States interacts with people in other nations through these organizations.</p>		
SS.CM.CG Civics and Government	Analyze major political systems of the world.	Understand that there are different ways for governments to be organized and to hold power.	SS.CM.CG.08 Understand how various forms of government function in different situations.	Civic Life, Politics, and Government	The Essential Characteristics of Limited and Unlimited Government
				Civic Life, Politics, and Government	Alternative Ways of Organizing Constitutional Governments
				Political Parties	One-Party Governments
			SS.CM.CG.08.01 Compare and contrast how various forms of government function in similar and different situations.	Civic Life, Politics, and Government	The Essential Characteristics of Limited and Unlimited Government
				Civic Life, Politics, and Government	Alternative Ways of Organizing Constitutional Governments
SS.CM.CG Civics and Government	Analyze the concepts of political power, authority, conflict, and conflict management.	At this time there are no Standards associated with this CCG			