

AACPS Elementary Social Studies Timelines
2004-2005 School Year
Grades K-5

There are two options to schedule Social Studies for the 2004-2005 school year:

Option 1:

Schedule Social Studies and Science on the A/B schedule alternating between three days one week and two days the next.

Option 2:

Because schools have asked for an alternate option to decrease transition time and increase time on task, schools may alternate weekly between Social Studies and Science to provide a minimum of 85 days of instruction in each of these areas.

Actual class instruction time should remain the same for both scheduling models. Grade 100 minutes per week for Social Studies, alternating between 3 days one week and 2 days the next for an average of 2.5 days per week. In Grades 1-3, Social Studies should be delivered in a 30-40 minute class period.

Descriptions of every grade level are available on the Social Studies Office web site, <http://www.aacps.org/aacps/boe/instr/CURR/socst/Overview.htm#k-5>

Kindergarten Units: Schools will work with the Early Childhood Office to implement the Social Studies curriculum units into the half-day and full-day kindergarten schedule. The Social Studies units are:

- Becoming a Community of Learners
- Appreciating Myself and Others in My Community
- Becoming a Citizen of the Community

Grade 1 Social Studies Units

- I Am a Citizen in My School – 12 instructional class periods
- Personal Safety – 5 instructional class periods
- I am a Citizen in My Family – 8 instructional class periods
- I am a Citizen in My Community – 36 instructional class periods
- I am a Citizen in the United States – 22 instructional class periods

Grade 2 Social Studies Units

- Can See How Communities Connect – 42 instructional class periods
- I Can Be a Hero – 12 instructional class periods
- I can Plan a Parade – 31 instructional class periods

Grade 3 Social Studies Units

- Anne Arundel County: Geography -- 12 instructional class periods
- “Econ & Me”: Concepts of Economics – 19 instructional class periods
- Anne Arundel County: Local Government – 12 instructional class periods
- Comparing Native American Cultures – 38 instructional class periods
- Personal Safety (taught by Guidance) – 5 instructional class periods

Grade 4 Social Studies Units

- Safari in Kenya – 25 instructional class periods
- Japan – 21 instructional class periods
- Maryland: Introduction to Geography & History – 22 instructional class periods
- Maryland: History & Government -- 22 instructional class periods

Grade 5 Social Studies Units

- Exploration – 8 instructional class periods
- Colonization – 28 instructional class periods
- The American Revolution – 23 instructional class periods
- Introduction to U.S. Government – 21 instructional class periods
- Regions of the U.S. – 10 instructional class periods