

GRACE COMMUNITY SCHOOL
CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT
COURSE DESCRIPTION

Course: Heritage Studies

Grade: Two

Philosophy Statement: God, the Creator and absolute Sovereign of the universe, rules in the affairs of mankind according to His perfect will, for His divine purposes, and ultimately for His eternal glory. Thus, History is the sum total of human events, individual and collective, in all societies, primitive to advanced, as providentially directed by and acted upon by this divine Sovereign. Our study of and instruction in History will carefully examine all major civilizations and significant historical events to the end of leading our students to recognize God's incredible wisdom in superintending the events of the ages, and simultaneously to explore man's relationship to his Creator and to one another as mankind either allies with God for his own successes, or strives against God, for his ultimate failure and destruction.

Course Objective: Students will recognize, identify, recall, sequence, and summarize the European cultural, political, and socio-economic foundations of America, and the establishment and early history of the United States. The students will use maps and a globe to locate countries, states, cities, and other important geographical landmarks. The students will trace their family histories, summarize and evaluate the histories of their ancestors and recall-recite their contributions to our Christian Heritage.

Textbook: Heritage Studies 2 for Christian Schools; Bob Jones University.

Materials:

- Student notebook.
- Library books.
- Charts.
- Map and More globe.
- Time line.

Time Allotment: Thirty minutes, two days per week.

Course Content:

- Unit One: Communities: growth and people groups that form them.
- Unit Two: Colonies: origins and foundations; apprentices.
- Unit Three: Kings and Queens of Europe.
- Unit Four: Revolutionary War: originating events and reasons.
- Unit Five: Daniel Boone.
- Unit Six: Freedom: definition; The Liberty Bell; The Great Compromise.

- Unit Seven: Birth of the United States: George Washington; the Constitution.

Assessments:

- Individual and group projects.
- Quizzes.
- Tests.
- Class participation.
- Class work.
- Homework.

Additional Activities:

- Field trips to Regan Library, Natural Museum of History, Imax Theater.
- Guest speakers.
- Videos.
- Flat Stanley project.