Alaska Social Studies

# Grade 9 through 12 Alaska History Standards

## Alaska's Land and People

### Significant Persons

25 Alaskan History

1 Evaluate the role of significant individuals across different eras of Alaska's history. SS.AKH.1.25.1

### Epidemics and Society

19 Human Populations: Spatial Patterns and Movement

1 Examine the immediate and long-term impacts of epidemics throughout Alaska's history. SS.AKH.1.19.1

### Alaska and the World

16 Human Environment Interaction: Place, Regions, and Culture

1 Analyze the geopolitical importance of Alaska's strategic location in the circumpolar north. SS.AKH.1.16.1

### Change and Sustainability

16 Human Environment Interaction: Place, Regions, and Culture

2 Assess how natural and human-made environmental changes affect the sustainability of contemporary and traditional practices. SS.AKH.1.16.2

### Land and People

19 Human Populations: Spatial Patterns and Movement

3 Understand and contextualize the various perspectives on the peopling of Alaska before contact with the West. SS.AKH.1.19.3

16 Human Environment Interaction: Place, Regions, and Culture

4 Use evidence to document and explain the development and evolution of Alaska Native societies and cultures. SS.AKH.1.16.4

20 Geography of Alaska

1 Explain the reciprocal relationships between Alaska's geography and the development of Alaska Native societies, including the role and importance of Alaska Native place names. SS.AKH.1.20.1

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### Tribal Conceptions

23 Change, Continuity, and Context

1 Examine how conceptions and definitions of Tribal affiliations have shifted over time. SS.AKH.1.23.1

**Land Claims Throughout Time**

**Claims and Stewardship**

21 Perspectives

1 Compare and contrast Indigenous, Russian, and American understandings of land claims and land stewardship. SS.AKH.2.21.1

**Colonialism and Western Expansion**

23 Change, Continuity, and Context

1 Analyze the social, political, cultural, and economic issues that emerged from the initial Russian and European contact in Alaska. SS.AKH.2.23.1

**Federal Impact**

6 Civic and Political Institutions and Systems

1 Analyze the role of the federal government's claims to Alaska's lands for military use, resources, trade, and infrastructure over time. SS.AKH.2.6.1

**Claims and Stewardship**

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

1 Analyze the legal contexts of Alaska's Land Claims Settlement Act and the long-term effects of it on Indigenous Tribal societies and governments. SS.AKH.2.8.1

**Land and People**

20 Geography of Alaska

1 Assess the cultural- political development of Alaska's Indigenous societies as a means of thriving on the land and its resources. SS.AKH.2.20.1

**Claims and Stewardship**

17 Global Interconnections: Changing Spatial Patterns

1 Cite and compare historical arguments about the purchase of Alaska from Indigenous, Russian, and American perspectives. SS.AKH.2.17.1

**Resource Stewardship Throughout Time**

**Conceptions of Resources**

16 Human Environment Interaction: Place, Regions, and Culture

1 Compare and contrast Indigenous and Western understandings of resources. SS.AKH.3.16.1

**Federal Impact**

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23 Change, Continuity, and Context

1 Develop a claim using multiple sources and perspectives about the United States' goals in relation to resource extraction in Alaska. SS.AKH.3.23.1

**Claims and Stewardship**

9 Alaska's Governments

1 Examine the economic, social, cultural, and political developments resulting from the common ownership of Alaska's oil and natural resources. SS.AKH.3.9.1

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

1 Explain the significance and impact of various Tribal, corporate, state, and federal policies on resource stewardship in Alaska. SS.AKH.3.8.1

**Alaska and the World**

17 Global Interconnections: Changing Spatial Patterns

1 Develop a claim using evidence from multiple sources and perspectives about the relationship between Alaska's geopolitical importance and the exploitation of Alaska's resources. SS.AKH.3.17.1

**Claims and Stewardship**

16 Human Environment Interaction: Place, Regions, and Culture

2 Analyze the environmental changes that have resulted from resource extraction from Alaska. SS.AKH.3.16.2

**Land and People**

19 Human Populations: Spatial Patterns and Movement

1 Explain the relationship between modern migration events and the development of major industries in Alaska. SS.AKH.3.19.1

**The Myth of the Last Frontier**

**"The Last Frontier"**

21 Perspectives

1 Develop a claim using multiple sources and perspectives explaining how specific policies or issues in Alaska are a result of the legacy of western expansion. SS.AKH.4.21.1

**Colonialism and Western Expansion**

24 Historical Thinking

1 Compare and contrast the political and economic developments leading to the colonization of Alaska. SS.AKH.4.24.1

**Colonial Decline**

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24 Historical Thinking

2 Identify the causes of decline in colonial rule throughout Alaska's history. SS.AKH.4.24.2

**Colonial Legacy**

23 Change, Continuity, and Context

1 Analyze the social, political, cultural, and economic issues that emerged as a result of colonial rule in Alaska. SS.AKH.4.23.1

**Colonial Assimilation**

23 Change, Continuity, and Context

2 Develop a claim using a variety of sources and perspectives about how the intent and outcomes of colonial assimilationist policies have had an impact on Alaskan cultural identities. SS.AKH.4.23.2

**Religion and Society**

6 Civic and Political Institutions and Systems

1 Identify the impacts of missionaries and missionary activity throughout Alaska's history. SS.AKH.4.6.1

**Resistance and Reform**

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

1 Evaluate the efficacy of formal and informal colonial policies, their effects on Sovereign Tribal Nations' ability to self-govern, and Alaska Native resistance efforts to preserve Tribal sovereignty. SS.AKH.4.8.1

**Climate Change**

19 Human Populations: Spatial Patterns and Movement

1 Assess the ongoing effects of changing climate on Alaska's landscapes and societies. SS.AKH.4.19.1

**Civics and Government**

**Statehood**

23 Change, Continuity, and Context

1 Evaluate Alaskans' arguments for self-determination and full citizenship rights through the statehood movement. SS.AKH.5.23.1

**Elections**

10 Rights, Roles, and Responsibilities of Citizens

1 Examine Alaska's electoral system and the responsibilities of individuals within the system. SS.AKH.5.10.1

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**vic Responsibility**

7 Participation and Deliberation

1 Identify federal, state, Tribal, and local powers, and explore the student's personal role in their local community by taking informed action. SS.AKH.5.7.1

**Civil Rights**

10 Rights, Roles, and Responsibilities of Citizens

2 Analyze how Alaskans have challenged the status quo from the colonial era through today to gain protection of their civil rights and build long-term survival of their communities. SS.AKH.5.10.2

**Alaska Constitution**

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

1 Explain how the Alaska Constitution organizes government power, protects rights, and includes features unique to Alaska. SS.AKH.5.8.1

**Tribal Sovereignty**

6 Civic and Political Institutions and Systems

1 Define sovereignty and explore how Tribal sovereignty has been defended over time by Indigenous communities to gain protection of Tribal rights and build long-term survival of Tribal affairs. SS.AKH.5.6.1

**Federal Impact**

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

2 Explain the significance and impact of various court cases, legal documents, and laws on Alaska. SS.AKH.5.8.2

**Tribal, State, and Federal Government**

6 Civic and Political Institutions and Systems

2 Compare and contrast Tribal constitutions, the Alaska State Constitution, the Federal Constitution, and Alaska Native corporations as created by ANCSA. SS.AKH.5.6.2

6 Alaska's Economy

**ANCSA**

24 Historical Thinking

1 Describe the formation of ANCSA Corporations (Regional Corporations), the outcomes of resource sharing, and their impacts on Alaska's economy. SS.AKH.6.24.1

**Resource Management**

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21 Perspectives

1 Compare and contrast the perspectives of sport, commercial, and subsistence users on Tribal, state, and federal policies regarding fish and game management. SS.AKH.6.21.1

**Resources and Statehood**

23 Change, Continuity, and Context

1 Explain the significance of natural resources in major political developments throughout Alaska's history. SS.AKH.6.23.1

**Permanent Fund**

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

1 Explain the creation of the Permanent Fund and Permanent Fund Dividend and how it continues to impact the state economically, politically, and socially. SS.AKH.6.8.1

**Alaskan Industry**

11 Economic Systems, Models, and Markets

1 Identify Alaska's markets and industries and analyze their impact on Alaska's economy. SS.AKH.6.11.1

**Alaska and the World**

17 Global Interconnections: Changing Spatial Patterns

1 Describe how Alaska's place in the circumpolar north has long- term implications on its economic role in the global development of industries, travel, and trade. SS.AKH.6.17.1

**Natural Resource Development**

15 Alaska Economies: State, Local, and Tribal

1 Explain how elements of state, Tribal, and local economies have developed in response to Alaska's role as a resource developer. SS.AKH.6.15.1

**Federal Role**

13 The National Economy

1 Analyze the role of the federal government in Alaska's economy and maintenance of Alaska's infrastructure. SS.AKH.6.13.1

**Land**

12 Decision-Making and Personal Finance

1 Identify Tribal and Western concepts of land ownership and how acting upon those concepts contributes to changes in land use, stewardship, and control. SS.AKH.6.12.1

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**Markets**

11 Economic Systems, Models, and Markets

2 Examine the causes and consequences of Alaska's boom-and-bust economy. SS.AKH.6.11.2

**Ethnic, Cultural, and Identity Studies**

9 Alaska Government

1 Examine Indigenous political systems pre-contact and explain changes and adaptations due to colonialism and Western influence. SS.USH.1.9.1

**Federal Relations with Indigenous People**

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

1 Explain the relationship that was developed between federal, state, and Tribal governments through treaties, court decisions, and land acquisition statutes. SS.USH.1.8.1

**Manifest Destiny**

21 Perspectives

1 Evaluate the ways in which the United States acquired new territories, including purchases, forced relocation, treaties, annexation, and war. SS.USH.1.21.1

**Federal Relations with Indigenous People**

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

2 Evaluate the efficacy of formal U.S. policies of expansion, their effects on Sovereign Tribal Nations' ability to self-govern, and Indigenous resistance efforts to preserve Tribal sovereignty. SS.USH.1.8.2

**Effects of Manifest Destiny**

21 Perspectives

2 Analyze why and how Indigenous peoples resisted U.S. territorial expansion. SS.USH.1.21.2