Iowa Essential Elements for Social Studies

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Analyze Civic and Political Institutions

13 Compare the powers and responsibilities of local, state, and national political institutions and the role of government in maintaining order. EE.SS-GOV.9-12.13

14 Determine the role of citizens in the U.S. political system, with attention to the definition of who is a citizen and how that definition has changed over time. EE.SS-GOV.9-12.14

16 Determine how the US Constitution establishes laws, governmental powers and responsibilities, as well as limits to a government. EE.SS-GOV.9-12.16

Apply Civic Virtues and Democratic Principles

19 Indicate how political actions (voting, debate, contacting officials, etc.) can lead to change in government/policy. EE.SS-GOV.9-12.19

20 Identify how civic value helps support a wellfunctioning democracy. EE.SS-GOV.9-12.20

Iowa History

27 Identify the unique systems and institutions in Iowa government and politics (i.e. presidential selection). EE.SS-GOV.9-12.27

28 Identify local and state issues in Iowa. EE.SS-GOV.9-12.28