Pennsylvania Social Studies

Civics and Government: Grade 4

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Principles and Documents of Government

Rule of Law

A. Examine school rules and consequences. 5.1.4.A

Laws and Government

B. Explain rules and laws for the classroom, school, community, and state. 5.1.4.B

Principles and Ideals that Shape Government

C. Explain the principles and ideals shaping local and state government.
Liberty/Freedom
Democracy
Justice
Equality 5.1.4.C

Documents and Ideals that Shape Pennsylvania and US Government

D. Identify key ideas about government found in significant documents:
Declaration of Independence
United States Constitution
Bill of Rights
Pennsylvania Constitution. 5.1.4.D

Symbols

F. Identify state symbols, national symbols, and national holidays. 5.1.4.F

Rights and Responsibilities of Citizenship

Civics Rights and Responsibilities

A. Identify individual rights and needs and the rights and needs of others in the classroom, school, and community. 5.2.4.A

Conflict and Resolution

B. Describe the sources of conflict and disagreement and different ways conflict can be resolved. 5.2.4.B

Leadership and Public Service

C. Describe the roles of leadership and public service in school, community, state, and nation. 5.2.4.C

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. Describe how citizens participate in school and community activities. 5.2.4.D

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How Government Works

Branches of Government

A. Identify the roles of the three branches of government. 5.3.4.A

Structure, Organization, and Operation of Governments

B. Describe how the elected representative bodies function in making local and state laws. 5.3.4.B

Government Services

C. Identify the services performed by local and state governments. 5.3.4.C

Leadership and Political Elections

D. Identify positions of authority at the local and state, and national level. 5.3.4.D

Elements of the Election Process

E. Explain the voting process. 5.3.4.E

Conflict and the Court System

F. Explain how different perspectives can lead to conflict. 5.3.4.F

Interest Groups

G. Identify individual interests and explain ways to influence others. 5.3.4.G