Wisconsin Social Studies

Essential Elements: Political Science (PS): Grades K-12

Wisconsin students will identify democratic principles and ideals. SS.EE.PS1	**1** Target Level: Wisconsin students will identify democratic principles and ideals. **2** Precursor Level: Wisconsin students will explain the importance of a rule or law. **3** Initial Level: Wisconsin students will identify rules or laws.
Wisconsin students will identify differences between a right, a responsibility, and a privilege. SS.EE.PS2	**1** Target Level: Wisconsin students will identify differences between a right, a responsibility, and a privilege. **2** Precursor Level: Wisconsin students will investigate the rights, privileges, and responsibilities in a society. **3** Initial Level: Wisconsin students will identify basic rights and responsibilities of being a good community member.
Wisconsin students will identify the roles and processes of political and civic institutions. SS.EE.PS3	**1** Target Level: Wisconsin students will identify the roles and processes of political and civic institutions. **2** Precursor Level: Wisconsin students will explore federalism, political parties, and identify civic institutions. **3** Initial Level: Wisconsin students will explore the role people have in elections, the effect of media on elections, and the branches and powers of government.
Wisconsin students will develop and employ skills for civic literacy. SS.EE.PS4	**1** Target Level: Wisconsin students will develop and employ skills for civic literacy. **2** Precursor Level: Wisconsin students will identify a credible source and provide examples of diplomacy. **3** Initial Level: Wisconsin students will identify relevant information from provided credible sources to a topic and identify examples of a current or historic compromise.