

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SOCIAL STUDIES CURRICULUM
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DISTRICT GOAL

Through the teaching of Social Studies related experiences, The Township of Franklin Public Schools shall give every pupil the opportunity to:

- 1) acquire basic skills in obtaining information, solving problems, thinking critically, and communicating effectively;
- 2) acquire a stock of basic information concerning the principles of the social sciences, the historical record of human achievements, and failures, and current social issues;
- 3) acquire the understanding of and the ability to form responsible relations with a wide range of other people, including but not limited to, those with social and cultural characteristics different from his/her own;
- 4) acquire understanding of ethical principles and values and the ability to apply them to his/her own life.
- 5) develop an understanding of the obligations and responsibilities of citizenship;
- 6) develop intellectual curiosity and eagerness for learning;
- 7) learn to enjoy the process of learning and to acquire the skills necessary for a lifetime of continuous learning and adaptation to change.