

PARENT A GLANCE

Find out what your child is **learning** and how to **help**.



Subject	9th - World Geography	10th - World History	11th - U.S. History	12th - Government	12th - Economics
Ideas students are learning	Students will learn about the five themes of geography.	Students will learn about the first early civilizations through the Classical period.	Students will study and learn about Colonial American through the Civil War.	Students will study primary source documents that led to the modern idea of democracy.	Students will study basic concepts and economic systems with a focus on scarcity and choices people make.
Skills	Students will use skills such as inference, drawing conclusions, problem solving, and mapping.	Students will use skills such as graphing, charting, point of view, and critical thinking.	Students will use skills such as analyzing primary source documents, point of view/bias, and critical thinking.	Students will use skills such as graphing, charting, point of view, and critical thinking.	Students will use skills such as analyzing primary source documents, point of view/bias, and critical thinking.
Work and assignments to look for	Students will create a graphic organizer reflecting the impact natural disasters have on the earth's surface.	Students will create a poster for one of the river valley civilizations showing how society meets criteria to be a civilization.	Students will create a cause and effect timeline choosing one event to create an editorial cartoon with caption.	Students will create a PowerPoint, flipchart, or poster promoting democracy for non-democratic countries.	Students will create a "fact sheet" describing how laws and agencies regulate public interest.
Questions Parents Can Ask	How do internal and external forces change the earth's surface?	What are the characteristics of a civilization?	How did the Declaration of Independence justify the American Revolution?	How has representative government evolved since 1215?	Why are scarcity and choice basic problems of economics?
Special Notes	Use technology and the internet to research different disasters that has altered the earth's surface.	Visit the Fort Worth cultural Art Museums such as the Modern or Kimball to view art from the classical era.	Visit the National Archives and Records Administration to view founding documents.	Visit the web-site www.archives.gov/education to view primary source documents and analyzes charts.	Discuss with your student current events relating to the status of our economy in America.