



Parent Guide: Fourth Grade

FOCUS STANDARD 5: RELATIONSHIPS AMONG PEOPLE, PLACES, IDEAS, AND ENVIRONMENTS ARE DYNAMIC.

Content

(Class content may vary as it is a part of the curriculum developed by your school and not prescribed by the state of Kansas.)

Fourth grade content focuses on Kansas, regions of the United States, local history and the idea that relationships among people, places, ideas, and environments are dynamic. Students will compare the regions of the US through the major social studies disciplines of history, geography, economics, and civics/government.



Students Should Understand That . . .

- Relationships are the connections that exist between two or more parties.
- Relationships are characterized by constant change.
- The connections from a single relationship impacts to some degree all other relationships.
- Dynamic relationships involve circumstances which often create shifts in priorities, leading to tension and adjustments toward progress.

CONCEPTS/IDEAS

The following are concepts and ideas that your child may encounter at this grade level.

Kansas, transportation systems, trail systems, emigration, leaders, explorers, entrepreneurs, United States regions, rights and responsibilities, citizenship, civic duty, levels of government (e.g. Local, State, Tribal, and Federal), Kansas Constitution, United States Constitution, community service, geographic characteristics, geographic regions, cultural characteristics, political features, immigration, absolute location, renewable and nonrenewable resources, ecosystems, opportunity cost, market economy, natural resources, capital resources, human resources, producer and consumer, saving and spending, economic specialization, taxes

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