

Commerce City Schools  
Commerce Elementary Schools

**Fourth Grade –Social Studies Curriculum Map**

Instructional Pacing	6 Weeks	6 Weeks	6 Weeks	6 Weeks	6 Weeks	5 Weeks
<b>Unit</b>	The Discovery of North America	The Colonization of North America	Forming a New Nation	Challenges of a New Nation	Expansion of a New Nation	Our American Government  Being a Responsible Spender by Learning from our Past
<b>Georgia Performance Standards</b>	SS4H1, SS4H2, SS4G1, SS4G2, SS4E1, Map Skills	SS4H3, SS4G2, SS4E1	SS4H4, SS4G2, SS4CG1	SS4H5, SS4CG1, SS4CG5, SS4E1	SS4H6, SS4H7, SS4G1, SS4G2	SS4H5, SS4CG1, SS4CG2, SS4CG3, SS4CG4  SS4E1, SS4E2
<b>Big Ideas</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Describes how early Native American cultures developed in North America</li> <li>-Describes European exploration in North America</li> <li>-Locates important physical features and man-made features in U.S.</li> <li>-Describes how physical systems affect human systems</li> <li>-Uses basic economic concepts to illustrate historical events</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Explains the factors that shaped British Colonial America</li> <li>-Describes how physical systems affect human systems</li> <li>-Uses basic economic concepts to illustrate historical events</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Explains causes, events, and results of American Revolution</li> <li>- Describes how physical systems affect human systems</li> <li>-Describes meaning of natural rights, "We the people", and federal system</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Analyzes challenges faced by the new nation</li> <li>- Describes meaning of natural rights, "We the people", and federal system</li> <li>-Names positive character traits of key historic figures and leaders</li> <li>- Uses basic economic concepts to illustrate historical events</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Explains westward expansion of America between 1801 and 1861</li> <li>-Examines the main ideas of the abolitionist and suffrage movements</li> <li>-Locates important physical features and man-made features in U.S.</li> <li>-Describes how physical systems affect human systems</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Analyzes challenges faced by the new nation</li> <li>- Describes meaning of natural rights, "We the people", and federal system</li> <li>-Explains importance of freedom of expression</li> <li>-Describes the functions of government</li> <li>-Explains importance of Americans sharing beliefs and principles</li> <li>-Uses basic economic concepts to illustrate historical events</li> <li>-Identifies elements of personal budget and explains why important</li> </ul>
<b>Resources</b>	Gallopade Social Studies Series; United Streaming; GA OAS and Benchmarks					
<b>Domain/ CRCT Content Weight</b>	History 50% Geography 15% Civics/Government 20% Economics 15%					