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Historical and Social Sciences Analysis Skills Standard: The students will demonstrate an ability to use historical and social sciences analysis skills.

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*1. The student swill demonstrate the skills necessary for chronological and spatial thinking.	A. Can the students compare the present with the past, evaluating the consequences of past events and decisions?	 The students will construct time lines for the following events in United States History or World History: immigration, civil rights, world conflicts, technology, WWI and WWII. The students will compare and contrast the conditions of the pre and post industrial workers during the Industrial Revolution.
	B. Can the students analyze how change happens at different rates at different times?	 The students will map the spread of religions in the Eastern and Western world. The students will analyze post war economies in the world powers.
	C. Can the students use a variety of maps and documents to interpret human movement?	 The students will examine Eastern and Western migration in the United States. The students will analyze the restrictions of movement on Native American Indians.
	D. Can the students relate current events to the physical and human characteristics of places and regions?	 The students will identify the environmental impact on the building of factories in the United States. The students will examine the environmental effects of the destruction of the rain forest.

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*2. The students will demonstrate the skills necessary for historical research, evidence, and point of view.	A. Can the students distinguish valid arguments from fallacious arguments in historical interpretations?	The students will compare editorials in the local newspaper.
	B. Can the students identify bias and prejudice in historical interpretations?	The students will examine current newspapers to recognize bias on the editorial page and political TV commercials during an election year.
	C. Can the students evaluate major debates among historians concerning alternative interpretations of the past?	The students will debate the Versailles Treaty; the development of a Palestinian state; and absolutism vs. Democracy.
	D. Can the students collect, evaluate, and employ information from primary and secondary sources and incorporate it into oral and written presentations?	 The students will participate in "We the People" Competition of the foundation of the American government. The students will participate in Mock Trial or Moot Court. The students will research a paper focusing on immigration in the United States during the 20th century.
*3. The students will demonstrate the skills necessary for historical interpretation.	A. Can the students show the connections between particular historical events by reflecting social, economic, and political trends?	The students will identify the social, political, and economic causes for the race for colonies in Africa during the end of the 19th century.

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	B. Can the students recognize the complexity of historical causes and effects?	 The students will develop a long term and short term cause and effect chart of major world conflicts. The students will develop a Venn Diagram to compare the causes of the revolutions in Latin America and South Africa.
	C. Can the students interpret past events and issues within the context in which an event unfolded rather than solely in terms of present day norms and values?	 The students will create a magazine reflecting the era of the Harlem Renaissance. The students will examine the maps of early explorers to the Western hemisphere.
	D. Can the students understand the meaning, implication, and impact of historical events while recognizing that events could have taken other directions?	 The students will speculate on how WWII could have ended in the Pacific theater without dropping the A-bomb. The students will analyze the events in Germany during WWII without Adolf Hitler.
	E. Can the students analyze human modifications of a landscape, and examine the resulting environmental policy issues?	The students will participate in a debate on the pros and cons of off-shore drilling off the California coast.
	F. Can the students conduct benefit/cost analysis and apply basic economic indicators to analyze the economic behavior in the United States?	 The students will participate in stock market simulation. The students will conduct a supplydemand study on the sale of computers.