APPENDIX I: MC Curriculum Recommendations

Suggestions for Social Studies Curriculum Maps K-5

Social studies curriculum supports students:

- to foster an ability to understand their world and to have an appreciation for the heritage of America with a high degree of literacy in civics, history, economics, and geography.
- to develop an understanding of oneself and one's immediate surroundings, to the greater community of Tucson and Arizona.
- to gain an understanding of their role as community members and active citizens.
- to enhance their abilities and motivations to contribute as citizens in their communities from the school community to the neighborhood, city, state, national, and global communities.
- to understand and respect diverse views and ideas.
- to learn local and the U.S. and world histories, environments, natural disaster, interactions of cultures, geography, economics, power and authority and governance, science, technology, innovation, global connections, immigration/migration, social issues such as racism, sexism, poverty, and homelessness.

TUSD's social studies curriculum maps	Suggestions for future maps
Kindergarten: Civics (community), civics (our country), history	Kindergarten: Topic: Self and Others
(early American civilizations), history (early world civilizations)	<i>Unifying Concepts:</i> School and school community, cultural identities of self and others, geography and people and environment, various family structures
Grade 1: Geography (place & regions), history (migration and	
settlers), civics (citizenship), economics (buyers and sellers)	Grade 1: Topic: My family and Community Unifying Concepts: importance of families and community, community economics
Grade 2: Civics (my country and I), history (early American	cingying concepts importance of families and community, community concerns
civilizations), history American revolution and new nation), history	Grade 2: Topic: My community and Other Communities
(westward expansion)	Unifying Concepts: Our community geography, AZ over time, urban and suburb and urban communities, social rules and responsibilities
Grade 3: History (Ancient civilizations' contributions to U.S	
culture), history (exploration and settler colonization), civics	Grade 3: Topic: Communities and the World
(migration and citizenship), history (government, individuals, and community)	Unifying Concepts: Communities in other countries
	Grade 4: Topic: AZ and Local History
<i>Grade 4:</i> History (early American and European civilizations, history (southwest expansion), history (AZ history and geography), economics (AZ government and economics)	Unifying Concepts: Geography and history of AZ, southwest expansion, colonial and revolutionary periods, Native Americans, federal and state and local government, immigration and migration
<i>Grade 5:</i> History (colonization, exploration, and migration), history (revolution and new nation), history (conflict and policy in the 19 th century), history (power, policy and responsibilities in the 20 th century)	Grade 5: Topic: Western Hemisphere Unifying Concepts: Study of western hemisphere countries such as their economics, cultures, histories, and governments.

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