

# ELA and Social Studies Curriculum Review

May 2025



# English Language Arts Grades 9-12



## Common Lit Curriculum and Teacher Designed Units

- Some units/novels remained the same, some have been updated

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11/12 Year A	Grade 11/12 Year B
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Folklore Unit</li><li>● MLA Writing Project</li><li>● <i>The Hunger Games</i></li><li>● Poetry Unit</li><li>● <i>Romeo &amp; Juliet</i></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Mystery Unit</li><li>● <i>Night Flying Woman</i></li><li>● <i>The Crucible</i></li><li>● <i>Great Gatsby</i></li><li>● <i>Night</i></li><li>● <i>Just Mercy</i></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Writing a Memoir</li><li>● <i>Frankenstein</i></li><li>● Serial Podcast Unit</li><li>● The Last Book I'll Ever Read in High School Unit</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <i>Voices from Pejuhutazizi: Native American short stories</i></li><li>● War Stories unit</li><li>● The Social Contract unit</li><li>● Moral Philosophy unit</li><li>● 1984 &amp; Dystopian societies.</li><li>● <i>All-American Boys</i></li></ul>

Additional/ optional texts identified in each grade level



# English Language Arts Grades 9-12

Continue to offer:



- College English Prep - not a college class
- College Intro to Speech - College in the Schools
- College Composition College in the Schools Course
- College Multicultural Lit - College in the Schools Course

College Coursework is approved via the cooperating college. We have linked with Pine Tech for these courses.



# Social Studies K-12 Review Process

- New MN Standards review has been ongoing
- Representative from each grade met to review curriculum samples in May. Rubrics specific to Social Studies were used based on information from Ed Reports alongside the Hexagon tool to evaluate program implementation.
- Teams evaluated the print and digital materials provided by vendors rating them using the rubric
- Final scores were base on multiple grades and units within each grade



# Social Studies K-12 Review Process

## Evaluation Rubric included:

- Standards Alignment: Materials are aligned to the state social studies standards.
- Social Studies Practices: Materials emphasize social studies practices and skills students apply when engaging with social studies content.
- Presentation and Perspective: Materials provide content and pedagogy that is representative of a variety of perspectives and experiences.
- Usability : Materials support educators' ability to effectively plan and use instructional materials and resources for instruction and develop their content and pedagogical knowledge to further student learning.
- Instructional Supports : Materials provide a variety of instructional supports and strategies for scaffolding learning.
- Assessment Practices : High-quality materials provide a balance of formative and summative assessments that clearly measure students' learning progress, inform social studies instruction, and provide feedback to students to improve their own learning.
- Hexagon Tool includes: Fit for District, Usability for teachers and students, Capacity to implement



# Social Studies K-5



- New MN standards due to be fully implemented 2026-27
- Priorities of the group:
  - Address MN standards
  - Examine overlap with CKLA
  - Variety of activities available, not just worksheet based
  - Teacher friendly materials, enough time to teach within our current schedule



# Social Studies K-5 Rubric Results

Final Recommendation K-5 : TCM



Kindergarten - Tara West Social Studies & TCM MN workbook

TCM Rubric scores	TCI Rubric Scores
277	205

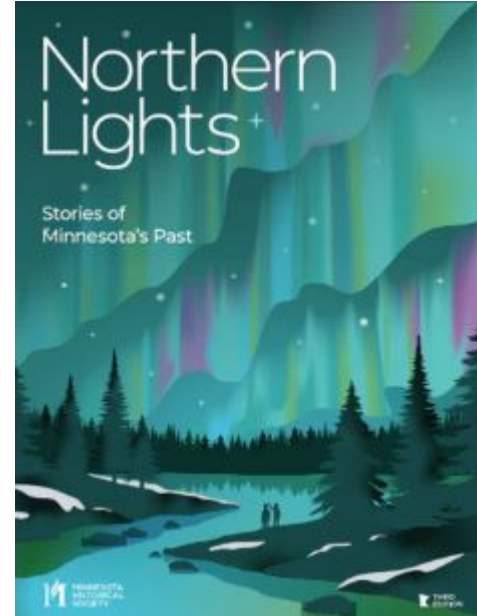


# Social Studies Grade 6 - MN History

One publisher for MN History

MN Historical Society

New edition available this fall



# Social Studies 7-12



- New MN standards due to be fully implemented 2026-27
- Priorities of the group:
  - Address MN Standards
  - Print and Digital materials available for students
  - Digital materials available for teachers
  - Variety of instructional activities



# Social Studies 7-12 Rubric Results

Final Recommendation 7-12:



TCI Rubric scores	HMH Rubric Scores
174	129



# Curriculum Purchase Cost

Total costs

Grades 9-12 ELA: \$7278

Grades K-12 Social Studies: \$98,231

TOTAL: \$105,509

