



History and Social Studies Department

Curricula Grades 9-12



Norwell Public Schools' grades 9-12 history and social studies curricula follow the Massachusetts History and Social Science Framework (2018):

- Social studies prepares the nation's young people for college, careers, and civic life.
- Inquiry is at the heart of social studies.
- Social studies involves interdisciplinary applications and welcomes the integration of the arts and humanities.
- Social studies comprises deep and enduring understanding, concepts, and skills from varied disciplines.
- Social studies contains the knowledge and skills to become thoughtful and active participants in a democratic society.
- Social studies education directly connects to the Standards for English Language Arts.

The **History and Social Studies Department** at Norwell High School believes that all proficient students should develop expertise in the following History and Social Studies Standards for Literacy:

- It is critical that students, when reading a primary or secondary source, identify how an author uses words and structure to convey his/her point of view.
- It is critical that students, when reading a primary or secondary source, identify the main idea, supporting details, and examine evidence.
- It is critical that students utilize multiple formats of both primary and secondary sources to distinguish between fact, opinion, and reasoned judgment.
- It is critical that students find and use multiple sources to conduct research, gather relevant information, and draw evidence from informational texts to answer a research question.
- It is critical that students write, refine, and publish persuasive, informative, and explanatory texts.

<p>Grade 9 Required World History II CP World History II H</p> <p>Electives Economics H</p>	<p>Grade 10 Required U.S. History I CP U.S. History I H</p> <p>Electives AP European History Economics H</p>	<p>Grade 11 Required U.S. History II CP U.S. History II H AP U.S. History</p> <p>Electives Economics H Psychology CP/H Introduction to Law H, CP Sociology through World Events H, CP Sports & Society H, CP International Relations H, CP</p>	<p>Grade 12 Electives Full Year AP European History AP Psychology AP US Government and Politics AP United States History</p> <p>Electives Psychology H, CP Introduction to Law H, CP Sociology through World Events H, CP Sports & Society H, CP International Relations H, CP Pathways to Internship & Senior Internship</p>
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Massachusetts [2018 History and Social Science Framework](#)

The Norwell High School Program of Studies provides more detailed information about courses, expectations, and opportunities.