

CURRICULUM MAP

S.S.		U.S. Government	Stutzman	2/6/2002
Time Frame Week / Month / Length	Skills; Strategies	Learning Strategies; Resources/Methods	Assessment Strategies	Wisconsin Model Academic Standards
10 days	The U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights	Understand the origins of the Constitution and our federal system; Examine the principles of constitutional government; Review the Constitution and Amendments; Explore the principles of federalism.	Discussion, study guide, worksheet and test	c.12.1-6,10,11,13
15 days	The Legislative Branch	Review the Bicameral Organization of Congress; Identify the powers of Congress; Review the Constitutional checks and balances regarding Congress; Trace the lawmaking process; Trace the election process, including tasks, backgrounds and characteristics of members of Congress; Examine the role of constituents in the legislative process.	Discussion, videotape, multimedia presentation, student projects Study Guides, test	c.12.4,6-9,11,12,16
15 days	The Executive Branch	Discuss personal style and characteristics of presidential effectiveness; review the procedures for nominating and electing a president; Identify the functions and powers of the executive branch; explore the roles of the White House staff, Cabinet and bureaucracy.	Multimedia presentations, study guide, worksheets, discussion and test	c.12.4,6-14
10 days	The Judicial Branch	Provide an overview of the federal judiciary; analyze the role of the courts as interpreters of laws; examine the selection of judges and the courts' influence on policy; investigate the variety of laws and legal decisions affecting the American people	Discussion and simulation activities; multimedia presentations, worksheets and homework; test	c.12.1-6,8,16
10 days	State Governments	Comparison between the U.S. and Wisconsin Constitutions; the organization and functions of state government; the relationship between state and other forms of government; examine the sources of state revenue and expenditures.	Discussion, study guide and tests	c.c.12.6-10
15 days	Local Government	Examine the organization and components of local governments, (county and municipal); identify sources of local revenue and expenditures; clarify the role of citizens in local government.	Use of County map and data sheets, simulations and multimedia presentations; study guide and test	c.12.1,6-10,12
5 days	Citizenship	Review the general concepts of adult citizenship, its rights and responsibilities, including taxes, voting and civic participation	Discussion, <u>On Being 18</u> .	c.12.1,8,10