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State Standard Number	State Standard Area/Description	Unit Name	Course Topic Description
SS.912.C	Civics and Government		
SS.912.C.1	Demonstrate an understanding of the origins and purposes of government, law, and the American political system.		
SS.912.C.1.1	Evaluate, take, and defend positions on the founding ideals and principles in American Constitutional government.	Unit 2: Foundations 1	Section 3: Part E
SS.912.C.1.2	Explain how the Declaration of Independence reflected the political principles of popular sovereignty, social contract, natural rights, and individual rights.	Unit 2: Foundations 1 Unit 3: Foundations 2	Section 2: Part A, Part B Section 1: Part A
SS.912.C.1.3	Evaluate the ideals and principles of the founding documents (Declaration of Independence, Articles of Confederation, Federalist Papers) that shaped American Democracy.	Unit 2: Foundations 1 Unit 3: Foundations 2	Section 2: Part C, Part D Section 3: Part C Section 1: Part A
SS.912.C.1.4	Analyze and categorize the diverse viewpoints presented by the Federalists and the Anti-Federalists concerning ratification of the Constitution and inclusion of a bill of rights.	Unit 2: Foundations 1	Section 3: Part C, Part E
SS.912.C.1.5	Evaluate how the Constitution and its amendments reflect the political principles of rule of law, checks and balances, separation of powers, republicanism, democracy, and federalism.	Unit 1: Civic Life Unit 3: Foundations 2	Section 2: Part B Section 1: Part B, Part C, Part D Section 2: Part A, Part B
SS.912.C.2	Evaluate the roles, rights, and responsibilities of United States citizens and determine methods of active participation in society, government, and the political system.		
SS.912.C.2.1	Evaluate the constitutional provisions establishing citizenship, and assess the criteria among		

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	citizens by birth, naturalized citizens, and non-citizens.		
SS.912.C.2.2	Evaluate the importance of political participation and civic participation.	Unit 1: Civic Life	Section 1: Part B
SS.912.C.2.3	Experience the responsibilities of citizens at the local, state, or federal levels.	Unit 1: Civic Life Unit 4: State and Local Unit 5: City Government Unit 6: Political Parties	Section 1: Part B Sections 1 – 3 Sections 1 – 3 Sections 1 – 3
SS.912.C.2.4	Evaluate, take, and defend positions on issues that cause the government to balance the interests of individuals with the public good.	Unit 1: Civic Life	Section 1: Part D: Self Interest/Conflict
SS.912.C.2.5	Conduct a service project to further the public good.	While students do not actually conduct the project, they do create an action plan for a civic action project. Unit 4: State and Local	Section 2: Part C: Civic Action Project
SS.912.C.2.6	Evaluate, take, and defend positions about rights protected by the Constitution and Bill of Rights.	Unit 1: Civic Life	Section 1: Part D: Self Interest/Conflict
SS.912.C.2.7	Explain why rights have limits and are not absolute.	Unit 1: Civic Life	Section 1: Part D: Self Interest/Conflict
SS.912.C.2.8	Analyze the impact of citizen participation as a means of achieving political and social change.	Unit 6: Political Parties	Section 1: Part B

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SS.912.C.2.9	Identify the expansion of civil rights and liberties by examining the principles contained in primary documents.		
SS.912.C.2.10	Monitor current public issues in Florida.		
SS.912.C.2.11	Analyze public policy solutions or courses of action to resolve a local, state, or federal issue.	Unit 4: State and Local	Section 1: Part C: Discussion
SS.912.C.2.12	Explain the changing roles of television, radio, press, and Internet in political communication.		
SS.912.C.2.13	Analyze various forms of political communication and evaluate for bias, factual accuracy, omission, and emotional appeal.	Unit 4: State and Local	Section 1: Part B: Petition Project
SS.912.C.2.14	Evaluate the processes and results of an election at the state or federal level.		
SS.912.C.2.15	Evaluate the origins and roles of political parties, interest groups, media, and individuals in determining and shaping public policy.	Unit 6: Political Parties	Sections 1 - 3
SS.912.C.2.16	Analyze trends in voter turnout.		

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SS.912.C.3	Demonstrate an understanding of the principles, functions, and organization of government.		
SS.912.C.3.1	Examine the constitutional principles of representative government, limited government, consent of the governed, rule of law, and individual rights.	Unit 1: Civic Life Unit 3: Foundations 2	Section 3: Part B Sections 1 – 2
SS.912.C.3.2	Define federalism, and identify examples of the powers granted and denied to states and the national government in the American federal system of government.	Unit 3: Foundations 2	Section 1: Part C, Part D
SS.912.C.3.3	Analyze the structures, functions, and processes of the legislative branch as described in Article I of the Constitution.	Unit 3: Foundations 2	Section 1: Part B Section 2: Part A
SS.912.C.3.4	Analyze the structures, functions, and processes of the executive branch as described in Article II of the Constitution.	Unit 3: Foundations 2	Section 1: Part B Section 2: Part A
SS.912.C.3.5	Identify the impact of independent regulatory agencies in the federal bureaucracy.	Unit 4: State and Local	Section 2: Part E
SS.912.C.3.6	Analyze the structures, functions, and processes of the judicial branch as described in Article III of the Constitution.	Unit 3: Foundations 2	Section 1: Part B Section 2: Part A
SS.912.C.3.7	Describe the role of judicial review in American constitutional government.	Unit 1: Civic Life	Section 3: Part B

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SS.912.C.3.8	Compare the role of judges on the state and federal level with other elected officials.		
SS.912.C.3.9	Analyze the various levels and responsibilities of courts in the federal and state judicial system and the relationships among them.	Unit 4: State and Local	Section 3: Part A, Part B, Part C, Part D
SS.912.C.3.10	Evaluate the significance and outcomes of landmark Supreme Court cases.		
SS.912.C.3.11	Contrast how the Constitution safeguards and limits individual rights.	Unit 4: State and Local	Section 3: Part C: Discussion: "Is it fair?"
SS.912.C.3.12	Simulate the judicial decision-making process in interpreting law at the state and federal level.		
SS.912.C.3.13	Illustrate examples of how government affects the daily lives of citizens at the local, state, and national levels.	Unit 4: State and Local	Section 2: Part C
SS.912.C.3.14	Examine constitutional powers (expressed, implied, concurrent, reserved).	Unit 4: State and Local	Section 1: Part A
SS.912.C.3.15	Examine how power and responsibility are distributed, shared, and limited by the Constitution.	Unit 3: Foundations 2	Section 1: Part B Section 1: Part C

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SS.912.C.4	Demonstrate an understanding of contemporary issues in world affairs, and evaluate the role and impact of United States foreign policy.		
SS.912.C.4.1	Explain how the world's nations are governed differently.	Unit 1: Civic Life Unit 6: Political Parties	Section 2: Part A Section 1: Part D
SS.912.C.4.2	Evaluate the influence of American foreign policy on other nations and the influences of other nations on American policies and society.		
SS.912.C.4.3	Assess human rights policies of the United States and other countries.		
SS.912.C.4.4	Compare indicators of democratization in multiple countries.		