



Alignment Document
State of Wyoming and Aventa Learning Economics

Economics

Standards	Benchmarks	Unit Name	Course Topic Description
1 Students demonstrate how structures of power, authority, and governance have developed historically and continue to evolve.	1.1 Students describe unique freedoms, rights, and responsibilities of living in a democratic society and explain their interrelationships.	Economic Systems American Free Enterprise and U.S. Government Involvement	Free Market Economy Principles of the American Free Enterprise System
	1.2 Students explain and/or demonstrate how to participate in the political processes and express personal beliefs and convictions.	Covered in discussion assignments throughout the course in which students are expected to express personal beliefs and convictions	
	1.3 Students explain the historical development of the U.S. Constitution and how it has shaped the U.S. and Wyoming governmental systems.		
	1.4 Students demonstrate an understanding of the major distinguishing characteristics of the United States and Wyoming Constitutions.		
	1.5 Students demonstrate an understanding of the U.S. civil and criminal legal systems and distinguish differences between those systems.		
2 Students demonstrate an understanding of different cultures and how these cultures have contributed and continue to contribute to the world in which they live.	2.1 Students explain how various cultural influences impact society.	Economic Systems The United States and Globalization	Answering Economic Questions and Prioritizing Economic Goals Economic Development
	2.2 Students communicate how shared	Economic Systems	Discussion Assignment: What Would Life Be

	cultural experiences influence peoples' perceptions of prominent historical figures, groups, institutions, and world events.	Economic Systems	Like? Writing Assignment: Life in a Centrally Planned Economy
3 Students demonstrate an understanding of economic principles and concepts and describe the influence of economic factors on individuals and societies.	3.1 Students explain how different economic systems are organized for production, distribution and consumption of goods and services.	Economic Systems	Answering Economic Questions and Prioritizing Economic Goals
		Economic Systems	Free Market Economy
		Economic Systems	Centrally Planned or Command Economy
		Economic Systems	Mixed or Modernized Economy
	3.2 Students formulate solutions to economic problems.	Foundations of Economics and the Problem of Scarcity	Writing Assignment: Creating a Decision-Making Grid
		American Free Enterprise and U.S. Government Involvement	Discussion Assignment: How Much is Too Much?
		American Free Enterprise and U.S. Government Involvement	Discussion Assignment: Too Much or Not Enough?
	3.3 Students describe the impacts of global economic interdependence.	American Free Enterprise and U.S. Government Involvement	Writing Assignment: Balancing the Budget
The United States and Globalization		International Trade	
3.4 Students demonstrate an understanding of economic principles that influence individual financial planning.	The United States and Globalization	The World Bank	
	Foundations of Economics and the Problem of Scarcity	Thinking Like an Economist	
	Foundations of Economics and the Problem of Scarcity	Decision Making	
	Business, Banking, and Finance	Money and Banking	
	Business, Banking, and Finance	Saving and Investing	



<p>4 Students demonstrate an understanding of the people, events, problems, ideas, and cultures that were significant in the history of our community, state, nation and world.</p>	<p>4.1 Students analyze the interactions among individuals and groups and their impact on significant historical events.</p>	The United States and Globalization	Writing Assignment: International Trade Article
	<p>4.2 Students analyze current events to better understand the world in which they live.</p>	Business, Banking, and Finance	Discussion Assignment: An Economy Without Paper Currency?
		Measuring Economic Performance	Writing Assignment: Summarizing a Current Article on the Economy
		Measuring Economic Performance	Writing Assignment: The Current Unemployment Rate
	<p>4.3 Students evaluate the impact of technology and how it has shaped history and influenced the modern world.</p>	The United States and Globalization	Writing Assignment: International Trade Article
<p>4.4 Students explain how past events impact the present and the future.</p>	The United States and Globalization	Economic Development	
	American Free Enterprise and U.S. Government Involvement	Writing Assignment: Balancing the Budget	
	Business, Banking, and Finance	Discussion Assignment: An Economy Without Paper Currency?	
<p>5 Students demonstrate an understanding of interrelationships among people, places, and environments.</p>	Measuring Economic Performance	Discussion Assignment: The Future of the Economy	
	<p>5.1 Students interpret charts, maps, and graphs to answer questions dealing with people, places, events, or environments.</p>	Research Project	Research Project: Stock Market
	<p>5.2 Students analyze how physical characteristics of the earth and human interactions with the environment have affected the development of societies, cultures, and individuals.</p>		
	<p>5.3 Students demonstrate an ability to organize and process information about people, places, and environments.</p>	The United States and Globalization	Writing Assignment: Researching Less Developed Countries



		Business, Banking, and Finance Measuring Economic Performance The United States and Globalization	Writing Assignment: Researching a Business Writing Assignment: The Current Unemployment Rate Writing Assignment: International Trade Article
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