

**Illinois School for the Deaf
Course Curriculum**

Course Title: American History (Year 2)

Course Description: Through primary sources, text books, newspapers, online resources, and videos, students will study events starting with the earliest settlers of America through the Civil War and analyze their impact on our country even today. This course will be completed in one semester.

Course Materials:

America's History: Land of Liberty (Book One) by Steck-Vaughn (reading level 5th to 6th grade)

America's Story (Book One) by Steck-Vaughn (reading level 2nd to 3rd grade)

Assessments: May include the following: daily classroom work, participation, homework, written and oral quizzes, tests, quarterly exams, final exam, projects, etc.

Course Agenda:

Topic	Length of Unit (Time)	Standards (ILS for non-ELA and non-Math classes/CCSS for ELA and Math classes)	Standards (ELA CCSS for non-ELA and non- Math classes)
Geography <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continents and Oceans• States and Regions• Map Reading Skills	1 week	14.e., 17.a, 17.c.	
Early People in the Americas <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Native Americans	1 week	16.b, 16.c., 16.d., 16.e., 17.c., 17.d., 18.c.	

Europeans Explore and Settle America <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christopher Columbus • Conquistadors • French & Dutch Settle in America 	1 week	16.b, 16.c., 16.d., 16.e. 17.c., 17.d., 18.c.	
Africans in America <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European Slave Trade 	1 week	16.b., 16.c., 16.d., 18.c.	
English Settle in North America <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New England, Middle, and Southern Colonies 	1 week	16.b, 16.c., 16.d., 16.e. 17.c., 17.d., 18.c.	
13 Colonies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life, Goals, Religion, and Colonial Trade 	1 week	14.c., 16.b, 16.c., 16.d., 16.e. 17.c., 17.d., 18.c.	
Pre-Revolution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • French and Indian War • Boston Massacre 	1 week	16.b., 16.c., 16.d., 18.c.	
American Revolution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Declaration of Independence • George Washington Becomes President 	2 weeks	14.a., 14. f., 16.a., 16.b., 16.c., 16.d., 18.c.,	
Constitution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problems of Articles of Confederation 	3 weeks	14.a., 14.b., 14.c., 14. f., 16.b., 16.c., 16.d., 18.c.	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constitutional Conventions • Ratifying the Constitution • Bill of Rights • Amendments 			
Westward Expansion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Louisiana Purchase • War of 1812 • Monroe Doctrine 	2 weeks	14.e., 16.a., 16.b., 16.c., 16.d., 18.c.	
Industrial Revolution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sectionalism • Missouri Compromise • Gold Rush 	1 week	14.c., 16.b., 16.c., 16.d., 18.c.	
Civil War <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Causes • Battles • Key People • Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation 	3 weeks	14.c., 16.a., 16.b., 16.c., 16.d., 18.c.	