

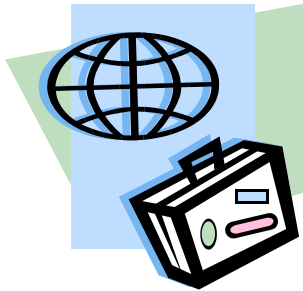
# Gifted Social Studies Highlights

## Social Studies Curricula

6<sup>th</sup>: World History

7<sup>th</sup>: Civics

8<sup>th</sup>: U.S. History



## Resources

ConnectEd digital textbooks & resources  
Six computer labs & classroom MacBooks  
100s of primary & secondary sources  
Classroom Smartboards  
Stanford's *Reading Like a Historian*  
*The DBQ Project* (AP prep)  
Partnership with UF Libraries  
Critical/lateral thinking puzzles  
Music from various cultures  
UF guest speakers



Gifted students have the advantage of advanced classes in Social Studies. These advanced classes are distinguished by *acceleration, enrichment, sophistication, and novelty*. Gifted Social Studies is seen as a three-year program, in which students learn more than just the prescribed curricula. Students learn, as a thread through 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade, the research & analytical skills they need to have a head start in the Honors, AP, IB & Cambridge programs that are offered in Alachua County high schools.



## Hands-on Projects

Historical fiction writing  
Maps, posters, & other visuals  
Computer generated products  
(PowerPoint, Prezi, iWeb, iMovie, etc.)  
Living history projects  
Cultural cooking projects  
Mock debates & trials  
Internet Webquests  
Independent research projects  
Alachua County's only participant in the  
National History Day program