

The mission of the Las Cruces Public Schools Social Studies Program is to prepare all students as critical thinkers, contributing community members, and participants in an evolving democracy and ever-changing world. Through access to high quality standards-based curriculum, the culturally relevant social studies classroom environment explores the complexity of human experience through problem-solving and analytical discourse promoting authentic and skill-based learning. Las Cruces Public School teachers utilize research-based and proven pedagogical practices that encompass the four language modes: reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Overall, our focus is to embolden civic-minded and culturally literate citizens through study of historical concepts, patterns, and events to understand the impact on present day issues, relationships, and needs.

Grade	Focus	Textbook	Publisher
Kinder	My Community	<i>Pearson Realize: My World Social Studies, Here We Are (Digital Platform)</i>	Pearson
1 st	Building an understanding of world, country and state.	<i>Pearson Realize: My World Social Studies, Making Our Way (Digital Platform)</i>	Pearson
2 nd		<i>We do Our Part, My World Social Studies, 2nd Grade</i>	Pearson
3 rd		<i>We are Connected, My World Social Studies, 3rd Grade</i>	Pearson
4 th	New Mexico History	<i>Regions of Our Country, My World Social Studies, 4th Grade</i>	Pearson
5 th	United States History	<i>Building Our Country, My World Social Studies, 5th Grade</i>	Pearson
6 th Grade	Early World History	<i>Discovering Our Past: A History of the World, Early Ages</i>	McGraw-Hill
7 th Grade	Early New Mexico History	<i>The New Mexico Journey</i>	Gibb Smith Education
8 th Grade	Early United States History	<i>Discovering Our Past: A History of the United States, Early Years</i>	
9 th Grade	New Mexico History	<i>A History of New Mexico Since Statehood</i>	Roberts and Roberts

10 th Grade	World History	<i>World History and Geography, Modern Times</i>	McGraw-Hill
11 th Grade	United States History	<i>United States and Geography, Modern Times</i>	McGraw-Hill
12 th Grade	Principals of Democracy	<i>United States Government, Our Democracy</i>	McGraw-Hill