

Berlin Brothersvalley School District

Berlin Brothersvalley High School

Year at a Glance Curriculum

Social Studies Department World Geography 9th Grade

Course Description:

Students will be exposed to the basics of geography at the onset of the course. Once basic skills have been attained, students will then be given instruction on all of the major continents and the countries within. This course will be a journey around the globe using various formats: lecture, video, book, class discussion, computer, and a touch of the imagination. Along with actual geography, students will cover cultures and traditions and how they each help shape the environment in which humans live. Please see below for a concise outline of the course.

Units of Study	Competencies	Approximate Timeframe	Standards
Five Themes of Geography: Location, Place, Region, Movement, Human Environment Interaction (HEI)	Students will be able to apply map skills, identify time zones, and examine human relationships with their environments.	2 weeks	7.1.9.B
Map Components, Latitude and Longitude, Types of Landforms and Maps	Students will be able to locate places using coordinates, apply map skills, compare and contrast different types of landforms, and demonstrate ability to read a map legend/key.	3 weeks	7.1.9.A
Western Hemisphere: North America and South America	Students will be able to summarize geographical features of North and South America to include the Caribbean.	6 weeks	7.4.9.A 7.4.9.B 7.2.9.A
Eastern Hemisphere: Europe, Asia, Africa, Oceania	Students will be able to summarize geographical features of Europe, Asia, Africa, and Oceania.	25 weeks	7.2.9.B 7.3.9.A

*Please visit pdesas.org for a complete list of standards taught in this course and for more information regarding PA State Standards for this course.

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