## Unit Plans - Multiple - Department: Social Studies

## **US History - 8th Grade**

## Quarter 1 - Settlement

Benchmarks Assessed	
SS.8.A.1.1	Provide supporting details for an answer from text, interview for oral history, check validity of information from research/text, and identify strong vs. weak arguments.
SS.8.A.1.5	Identify, within both primary and secondary sources, the author, audience, format, and purpose of significant historical documents.
SS.8.A.2.1	Compare the relationships among the British, French, Spanish, and Dutch in their struggle for colonization of North America.
SS.8.A.2.2	Compare the characteristics of the New England, Middle, and Southern colonies.
SS.8.A.2.3	Differentiate economic systems of New England, Middle and Southern colonies including indentured servants and slaves as labor sources.
SS.8.A.2.4	Identify the impact of key colonial figures on the economic, political, and social development of the colonies.
SS.8.E.1.1	Examine motivating economic factors that influenced the development of the United States economy over time including scarcity, supply and demand, opportunity costs, incentives, profits, and entrepreneurial aspects.
SS.8.E.2.3	Assess the role of Africans and other minority groups in the economic development of the United States.
SS.8.E.3.1	Evaluate domestic and international interdependence.
SS.8.G.3.1	Locate and describe in geographic terms the major ecosystems of the United States.
SS.8.G.5.1	Describe human dependence on the physical environment and natural resources to satisfy basic needs in local environments in the United States.

Essential Questions/Unit Objectives:	Biblical Integration:
<ul> <li>How are people affected by geography?</li> <li>How did different people groups interact with the geography and ecosystems of the New World?</li> <li>Why was slavery brought to the British colonies and how was it used?</li> <li>How do primary and secondary sources help us learn history?</li> </ul>	
Resources:	Instructional Strategies:
Course information worksheet     411 Worksheet	Bead, A:  Before reading; preview bold print, chapter questions, captions, maps, charts, and illustrations Generate interest by using objects, visuals, maps, music, photos, etc. as a frame of reference.  KWL: make a 3-column chart with the words Know? (what you already know about the topic), What? (what you want to learn about the topic), and Learned? (what you learned about the topic)
Assessments:  America's Geography Quiz Coming to America Quiz Colonial Regions Quiz Economics and Slavery Quiz Historian's Clues Project Unit Exam	