

## WHAT'S NEW

Course Improvements for this K-5 Social Studies course will ensure that learners have a Texas standards-aligned, media-rich, and interactive experience to provide an engaging learning environment, bolster understanding of course content, and improve outcomes.

## TIMELINE OF DELIVERY AND COMMUNICATIONS

This updated and more closely aligned course will be customer-ready by June 30, 2023. Your Customer Success Manager will coordinate the delivery to your learning management system.

## NEW COURSE INFORMATION

<b>TX Social Studies - Kindergarten (1 of 2)</b>	<b>SCED ID:</b> 04 430 G KGKG 0101	<b>Grade / Grade Band:</b> K - 5	<b>Availability:</b> 06/30/2023
<p><b>Course Description:</b> Social Studies Kindergarten (1 of 2) explores the roles and responsibilities of students as citizens within the context of civics, geography, economics, and history. Students will also learn about their own culture and how it impacts understanding of oneself and others as well as be introduced to aspects of our National culture.</p> <p><b>Materials Required:</b> <u>Required:</u> calendar, construction paper, crayons/markers/colored pencils, drawing paper, paper, pencils, poster board (1 piece), printables (see Course Syllabus for link), printer and printer paper (for printables), scissors <u>Optional:</u> family photographs or artifacts, glue stick or glue, magazines</p>			
<p><b>Improvements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Increased Alignment</b> - This TX state-specific course is more closely aligned to Texas state standards than the previously offered national course.</li> <li>• <b>Expanded Media &amp; Interactivity Throughout Every Course</b> - additional media and interactivity added –             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Reduced text heaviness, adding instructional images and over 1,200 graphics, videos, and interactives across K-5 curriculum</li> <li>○ New practice activities that are interactive for skill mastery and comprehension</li> <li>○ Updated Read Along interactive that has a new look and navigation for learners</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Grading Support for All Open Response Questions</b> - additional grading supports for teachers including grading notes and rubrics             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Added “Grading Notes” in the answer key and Speedgrader</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Evaluation of All Objectives and Assessment Items to Ensure Grade Level and Correct Measuring of Objectives</b></li> </ul>		<p><b>Related Course Information:</b> Social Studies – Kindergarten (2 of 2) National course currently available</p>	