



Shakopee Area Catholic School  
Social Studies Standards and Benchmarks  
Grade Level: Kindergarten  
Families, Rules, Communities

**History**

Students will recognize that things change.

1. Understand “then” and “now.”
2. Realize that places change.
3. Recognize inventions and machines.

Students will recognize celebrations in the United States.

1. Be aware of National Holidays.
2. Learn about famous Americans that are celebrated in National Holidays.
3. Recall customs that go with holidays.

**Geography**

Students will develop basic map skills.

1. Recognize a map.
2. Create a three dimensional model of our community.
3. Recognize a globe.
4. Understand the difference between city and country.
5. Demonstrate the position words; left, right, above, below, in front of, behind, top, middle and under.

**Civics and Government**

Understand that rules and laws keep us safe.

1. Recall and follow classroom and school rules.
2. Recognize rules in our community.

Understand where you live.

1. Recite your address.
2. Identify what it is like where you live.

Develop knowledge of a community

1. Recognize different community helpers (farmers, police officers, fire fighters, teachers . )
2. Develop a vocabulary to discuss neighborhoods and communities.

Recognize life from other perspectives.

1. Recognize how others in the class live.
2. Understand that different people live in different places and situations.

## **Economics**

Students will understand the basics of money.

1. Recognize the different coins.
2. Identify the value of different coins.
3. Understand that money buys things.

## **Psychology**

Students will understand Family Systems

1. Be able to present information about yourself and your family.
2. Recognize that there are different types of families.