

Standards for Connecting to the Courts: A Teacher's Guide to the South Carolina Courts Chapter 5

SC Social Studies Academic Standards for Chapter 5

This chapter will facilitate instruction of the following **South Carolina Social Studies Academic Standards**:

- 7-2.5** Explain how the **Enlightenment** influenced the American and French revolutions leading to the formation of limited forms of government, including the relationship between people and their government, the role of **constitutions**, the characteristics of shared powers, the protection of individual rights, and the promotion of the common good.
- 8-2.6** Explain the role of South Carolinians in the establishment of their new state government and the national government after the American Revolution.
- 8-3.3** Explain the basic principles of government as established in the United States Constitution.
- USHC-1.3** Analyze the impact of the Declaration of Independence and the American Revolution on establishing the ideals of a democratic republic.
- USHC-1.5** Explain how the fundamental principle of limited government is protected by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, including democracy, republicanism, federalism, separation of powers, the system of checks and balances, and individual rights.
- USG-1.1** Analyze political theories related to the existence, necessity, and purpose of government, including natural rights, balance of the public and private interests, and physical and economic security.
- USG-1.2** Analyze components of government and the governing process, including politics, power, authority, sovereignty, legitimacy, public institutions, efficacy, and civic life.
- USG-1.4** Analyze the institutional and organizational structure of government that allows it to carry out its purpose and function effectively, including the branches of government and legitimate bureaucratic institutions.
- USG-1.5** Evaluate **limited government** and **unlimited government** with regard to governance, including **rule of law**, the role of **constitutions**, civil rights, political freedom, economic freedom, and the ability of citizens to impact or influence the governing process.
- USG-2.1** Summarize core principles of United States government, including **limited**

government, federalism, checks and balances, separation of powers, rule of law, popular sovereignty, republicanism, individual rights, freedom, equality, and self-government.

USG-3.3..... Analyze federalism and its application in the United States, including the concepts of enumerated, concurrent, and reserved powers; the meaning of the ninth and tenth amendments; the principle of states' rights; the promotion of limited government; the protection of individual rights; and the potential for conflict among the levels of government.

USG-3.4..... Analyze the organization and responsibilities of local and state governments in the United States federal system, including the role of state constitutions, the limitations on state governments, the typical organization of state governments, the relationship between state and local governments, and the major responsibilities of state governments.

USG-4.6..... Explain how fundamental values, principles, and rights often conflict within the American political system; why these conflicts arise; and how these conflicts are and can be addressed.