



State of Arizona
Department of Education

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Superintendent of
Public Instruction

MEMORANDUM

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To: Elementary Teachers, Social Studies Teachers, and Administrators
From: Cheryl J. Lebo, Associate Supt. for Standards and Assessment
Re: New Social Studies Achievement Certificate

Dear Educator:

In our continuing effort to raise awareness of the importance of developing a well-rounded social studies background for all students, the Arizona Department of Education has initiated a Social Studies Achievement Certificate.

This certificate is very similar to the Reading and Science Achievement Certificates inasmuch as it gives students extra incentive to learn outside the classroom and be recognized for demonstrating added knowledge of a core subject.

The ADE has compiled a list of *suggested* locations throughout the state of Arizona that represent an area of historic and/or geographic interest and importance. This is not meant to be the definitive list of such areas, but is designed to help teachers, students and parents in their efforts to visit locations that have historic and geographic merit.

For example, a visit to Yuma Quartermaster Depot State Historic Park would give a student appreciation for history, geography, and economics. A trip to Walnut Canyon National Monument would offer opportunities to explore history and geography, and time spent in the many history museums statewide holds obvious potential.

In order to receive a certificate, the student should demonstrate some added knowledge of social studies to the satisfaction of his or her teacher. The ADE does not wish to be prescriptive in this effort. If the educator believes the student has earned recognition, then that student is eligible for the certificate. The goal is to encourage independent study of social studies.

Below is a list of suggested Arizona social studies attractions.

Thanks for your help in developing a better appreciation of social studies among Arizona's public school students.

Sincerely,

Cheryl J. Lebo
Associate Supt. for Standards and Assessment
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SUGGESTED ARIZONA SOCIAL STUDIES ATTRACTIONS

NORTHERN ARIZONA

Painted Desert / Petrified Forest National Parks, Holbrook
Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park
Grand Canyon
Grand Canyon Caverns
Pipe Springs National Monument
Navajo National Monument
Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site
Wupatki National Monument
Walnut Canyon National Monument
Tuzigoot National Monument
Montezuma Castle National Monument
Sunset Crater, Flagstaff
Canyon de Chelly, Navajo Nation
Parshant National Monument
Little Black Mountain Petroglyph Site, Arizona Strip
Homolovi Ruins State Park, Winslow
John Wesley Powell Memorial Museum, Page
Riordan Mansion State Historic Park, Flagstaff
Pioneer Museum, Flagstaff
Museum of Northern Arizona, Flagstaff
Red Rock State Park, Sedona
Fort Verde State Historic Park
Jerome State Historic Park
Tonto Natural Bridge State Historic Park, Payson
Sharlot Hall Museum, Prescott

WESTERN ARIZONA

Yuma Territorial Prison State Historic Park
Yuma Quartermaster Depot State Historic Park
Sanguinetti House Museum, Yuma
Blythe Intaligos, Interstate 10 & US 95
Poston Internment Camp Memorial Monument, Poston
Colorado River Indian Tribes Museum, Parker
Parker Area Historical Society Museum

EASTERN ARIZONA

Tonto National Monument
Turkey Creek Cliff Dwelling, Safford
Dankworth Indian Village, Safford
Besh-ba-Gowah Archeological Park, Globe
Gila County Historical Museum, Globe
Freeport Mc-MoRan Morenci Copper Mine Tour, Morenci
Casa Malpais Archeological Park, Springerville
White Mountain Archeological Center, St. Johns

SOUTHERN ARIZONA

Casa Grande National Monument, Coolidge
McFarland State Historic Park, Florence
Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument, Ajo
Saguaro National Park
Titan Missile Museum, Green Valley
Fort Bowie National Historic Site
Fairbank Historic Townsite, Tombstone
Chiricahua National Monument
Tumacácori National Historic Park
Picacho Peak State Park
Tubac Presidio State Park
Tombstone Courthouse State Historic Park
Bisbee Mining and Historical Museum, Bisbee
Amerind Foundation Museum, Dragoon
Sonoran Desert National Monument, Gila Bend
Ironwood Forest National Monument, Marana
Sonoita Creek State Natural Area, Patagonia
Ramsey Canyon Preserve, Sierra Vista
Coronado National Monument

TUCSON

Arizona History Museum
Fort Lowell Museum
Sosa-Carillo-Frémont House Museum
Arizona State Museum, University of Arizona
Tohono Chul Park
Arizona Sonora Desert Museum
Pima Air and Space Museum
Colossal Cave Mountain Park Museums
San Xavier del Bac Mission

PHOENIX METRO

Arizona Historical Society Museum at Papago Park, Tempe
Arizona Museum of Natural History, Mesa
Deer Valley Rock Art Center, Phoenix
Pueblo Grande Museum, Phoenix
Tempe Historical Museum
Arizona State Capitol Museum
Heard Museum, Phoenix
Phoenix Museum of History
George Washington Carver Museum and Cultural Center, Phoenix
South Mountain Park/Preserve - Environmental Education Center
Desert Botanical Garden
Pioneer Living History Museum
Hassayampa River Preserve, Wickenburg