

Grade 9 through 12 Alaska History Standards

Alaska's Land and People

Significant Persons

25 Alaskan History

- 1 Evaluate the role of significant individuals across different eras of Alaska's history. [SS.AKH.1.25.1](#)

Epidemics and Society

19 Human Populations: Spatial Patterns and Movement

- 1 Examine the immediate and long-term impacts of epidemics throughout Alaska's history. [SS.AKH.1.19.1](#)

Alaska and the World

16 Human Environment Interaction: Place, Regions, and Culture

- 1 Analyze the geopolitical importance of Alaska's strategic location in the circumpolar north. [SS.AKH.1.16.1](#)

Change and Sustainability

16 Human Environment Interaction: Place, Regions, and Culture

- 2 Assess how natural and human-made environmental changes affect the sustainability of contemporary and traditional practices. [SS.AKH.1.16.2](#)

Land and People

19 Human Populations: Spatial Patterns and Movement

- 3 Understand and contextualize the various perspectives on the peopling of Alaska before contact with the West. [SS.AKH.1.19.3](#)

16 Human Environment Interaction: Place, Regions, and Culture

- 4 Use evidence to document and explain the development and evolution of Alaska Native societies and cultures. [SS.AKH.1.16.4](#)

20 Geography of Alaska

- 1 Explain the reciprocal relationships between Alaska's geography and the development of Alaska Native societies, including the role and importance of Alaska Native place names. [SS.AKH.1.20.1](#)

Tribal Conceptions

23 Change, Continuity, and Context

- 1 Examine how conceptions and definitions of Tribal affiliations have shifted over time. [SS.AKH.1.23.1](#)
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Land Claims Throughout Time

Claims and Stewardship

21 Perspectives

- 1 Compare and contrast Indigenous, Russian, and American understandings of land claims and land stewardship. [SS.AKH.2.21.1](#)
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Colonialism and Western Expansion

23 Change, Continuity, and Context

- 1 Analyze the social, political, cultural, and economic issues that emerged from the initial Russian and European contact in Alaska. [SS.AKH.2.23.1](#)
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Federal Impact

6 Civic and Political Institutions and Systems

- 1 Analyze the role of the federal government's claims to Alaska's lands for military use, resources, trade, and infrastructure over time. [SS.AKH.2.6.1](#)
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Claims and Stewardship

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

- 1 Analyze the legal contexts of Alaska's Land Claims Settlement Act and the long-term effects of it on Indigenous Tribal societies and governments. [SS.AKH.2.8.1](#)
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Land and People

20 Geography of Alaska

- 1 Assess the cultural-political development of Alaska's Indigenous societies as a means of thriving on the land and its resources. [SS.AKH.2.20.1](#)
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Claims and Stewardship

17 Global Interconnections: Changing Spatial Patterns

- 1 Cite and compare historical arguments about the purchase of Alaska from Indigenous, Russian, and American perspectives. [SS.AKH.2.17.1](#)
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Resource Stewardship Throughout Time

Conceptions of Resources

16 Human Environment Interaction: Place, Regions, and Culture

- 1 Compare and contrast Indigenous and Western understandings of resources. [SS.AKH.3.16.1](#)

Federal Impact

23 Change, Continuity, and Context

- 1 Develop a claim using multiple sources and perspectives about the United States' goals in relation to resource extraction in Alaska. [SS.AKH.3.23.1](#)

Claims and Stewardship

9 Alaska's Governments

- 1 Examine the economic, social, cultural, and political developments resulting from the common ownership of Alaska's oil and natural resources. [SS.AKH.3.9.1](#)

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

- 1 Explain the significance and impact of various Tribal, corporate, state, and federal policies on resource stewardship in Alaska. [SS.AKH.3.8.1](#)

Alaska and the World

17 Global Interconnections: Changing Spatial Patterns

- 1 Develop a claim using evidence from multiple sources and perspectives about the relationship between Alaska's geopolitical importance and the exploitation of Alaska's resources. [SS.AKH.3.17.1](#)

Claims and Stewardship

16 Human Environment Interaction: Place, Regions, and Culture

- 2 Analyze the environmental changes that have resulted from resource extraction from Alaska. [SS.AKH.3.16.2](#)

Land and People

19 Human Populations: Spatial Patterns and Movement

- 1 Explain the relationship between modern migration events and the development of major industries in Alaska. [SS.AKH.3.19.1](#)

The Myth of the Last Frontier

“The Last Frontier”

21 Perspectives

- 1 Develop a claim using multiple sources and perspectives explaining how specific policies or issues in Alaska are a result of the legacy of western expansion. [SS.AKH.4.21.1](#)

Colonialism and Western Expansion

24 Historical Thinking

- 1 Compare and contrast the political and economic developments leading to the colonization of Alaska. [SS.AKH.4.24.1](#)

Colonial Decline

24 Historical Thinking

- 2 Identify the causes of decline in colonial rule throughout Alaska's history. [SS.AKH.4.24.2](#)

Colonial Legacy

23 Change, Continuity, and Context

- 1 Analyze the social, political, cultural, and economic issues that emerged as a result of colonial rule in Alaska. [SS.AKH.4.23.1](#)

Colonial Assimilation

23 Change, Continuity, and Context

- 2 Develop a claim using a variety of sources and perspectives about how the intent and outcomes of colonial assimilationist policies have had an impact on Alaskan cultural identities. [SS.AKH.4.23.2](#)

Religion and Society

6 Civic and Political Institutions and Systems

- 1 Identify the impacts of missionaries and missionary activity throughout Alaska's history. [SS.AKH.4.6.1](#)

Resistance and Reform

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

- 1 Evaluate the efficacy of formal and informal colonial policies, their effects on Sovereign Tribal Nations' ability to self-govern, and Alaska Native resistance efforts to preserve Tribal sovereignty. [SS.AKH.4.8.1](#)

Climate Change

19 Human Populations: Spatial Patterns and Movement

- 1 Assess the ongoing effects of changing climate on Alaska's landscapes and societies. [SS.AKH.4.19.1](#)

Civics and Government

Statehood

23 Change, Continuity, and Context

- 1 Evaluate Alaskans' arguments for self-determination and full citizenship rights through the statehood movement. [SS.AKH.5.23.1](#)

Elections

10 Rights, Roles, and Responsibilities of Citizens

- 1 Examine Alaska's electoral system and the responsibilities of individuals within the system. [SS.AKH.5.10.1](#)

Civic Responsibility

7 Participation and Deliberation

- 1** Identify federal, state, Tribal, and local powers, and explore the student's personal role in their local community by taking informed action. [SS.AKH.5.7.1](#)

Civil Rights

10 Rights, Roles, and Responsibilities of Citizens

- 2** Analyze how Alaskans have challenged the status quo from the colonial era through today to gain protection of their civil rights and build long-term survival of their communities. [SS.AKH.5.10.2](#)

Alaska Constitution

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

- 1** Explain how the Alaska Constitution organizes government power, protects rights, and includes features unique to Alaska. [SS.AKH.5.8.1](#)

Tribal Sovereignty

6 Civic and Political Institutions and Systems

- 1** Define sovereignty and explore how Tribal sovereignty has been defended over time by Indigenous communities to gain protection of Tribal rights and build long-term survival of Tribal affairs. [SS.AKH.5.6.1](#)

Federal Impact

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

- 2** Explain the significance and impact of various court cases, legal documents, and laws on Alaska. [SS.AKH.5.8.2](#)

Tribal, State, and Federal Government

6 Civic and Political Institutions and Systems

- 2** Compare and contrast Tribal constitutions, the Alaska State Constitution, the Federal Constitution, and Alaska Native corporations as created by ANCSA. [SS.AKH.5.6.2](#)

6 Alaska's Economy

ANCSA

24 Historical Thinking

- 1** Describe the formation of ANCSA Corporations (Regional Corporations), the outcomes of resource sharing, and their impacts on Alaska's economy. [SS.AKH.6.24.1](#)

Resource Management

21 Perspectives

- 1 Compare and contrast the perspectives of sport, commercial, and subsistence users on Tribal, state, and federal policies regarding fish and game management. [SS.AKH.6.21.1](#)

Resources and Statehood

23 Change, Continuity, and Context

- 1 Explain the significance of natural resources in major political developments throughout Alaska's history. [SS.AKH.6.23.1](#)

Permanent Fund

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

- 1 Explain the creation of the Permanent Fund and Permanent Fund Dividend and how it continues to impact the state economically, politically, and socially. [SS.AKH.6.8.1](#)

Alaskan Industry

11 Economic Systems, Models, and Markets

- 1 Identify Alaska's markets and industries and analyze their impact on Alaska's economy. [SS.AKH.6.11.1](#)

Alaska and the World

17 Global Interconnections: Changing Spatial Patterns

- 1 Describe how Alaska's place in the circumpolar north has long-term implications on its economic role in the global development of industries, travel, and trade. [SS.AKH.6.17.1](#)

Natural Resource Development

15 Alaska Economies: State, Local, and Tribal

- 1 Explain how elements of state, Tribal, and local economies have developed in response to Alaska's role as a resource developer. [SS.AKH.6.15.1](#)

Federal Role

13 The National Economy

- 1 Analyze the role of the federal government in Alaska's economy and maintenance of Alaska's infrastructure. [SS.AKH.6.13.1](#)

Land

12 Decision-Making and Personal Finance

- 1 Identify Tribal and Western concepts of land ownership and how acting upon those concepts contributes to changes in land use, stewardship, and control. [SS.AKH.6.12.1](#)

Markets

11 Economic Systems, Models, and Markets

- 2 Examine the causes and consequences of Alaska's boom-and-bust economy. [SS.AKH.6.11.2](#)

Ethnic, Cultural, and Identity Studies

9 Alaska Government

- 1 Examine Indigenous political systems pre-contact and explain changes and adaptations due to colonialism and Western influence. [SS.USH.1.9.1](#)

Federal Relations with Indigenous People

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

- 1 Explain the relationship that was developed between federal, state, and Tribal governments through treaties, court decisions, and land acquisition statutes. [SS.USH.1.8.1](#)

Manifest Destiny

21 Perspectives

- 1 Evaluate the ways in which the United States acquired new territories, including purchases, forced relocation, treaties, annexation, and war. [SS.USH.1.21.1](#)

Federal Relations with Indigenous People

8 Processes, Rules, and Laws

- 2 Evaluate the efficacy of formal U.S. policies of expansion, their effects on Sovereign Tribal Nations' ability to self-govern, and Indigenous resistance efforts to preserve Tribal sovereignty. [SS.USH.1.8.2](#)

Effects of Manifest Destiny

21 Perspectives

- 2 Analyze why and how Indigenous peoples resisted U.S. territorial expansion. [SS.USH.1.21.2](#)