

Standards and Curriculum Arizona 4th Grade



“The goal of the Festival is to keep the history and the spirit of the cowboy and the old west alive,” says Trail Boss Mary Brown. “Whether attracted by the history of the west, the legend and the lore of the cowboy, the western collectibles and exhibitors, or the romance of the Hollywood western, there is something for everyone at the National Festival of the West.”

Festival of the West ‘Big Idea’ Standard

AZ 4th Grade Social Studies

Strand 1: American History

Concept 10: Contemporary United States

- PO2: Discuss the connections between current and historical events and issues from content studied in Strand 1.

Standards for Field Trip Stops and Classroom Activities

Mountain Men

AZ 4th Grade Social Studies

Strand 1: American History

Concept 5 Westward Expansion

- PO2 Influence of American explorers
- PO4 Describe impact of newcomers

Concept 7 Emergence of the Modern United States

- PO3 Describe the influence of key individuals in Arizona

Strand 4: Geography

Concept 6 Geographic Applications

- PO1 Describe the impact of geographic features on migration and exploration.

Cowboy Gear/Period Dress

AZ 4th Grade Social Studies

Strand 1 American History

Concept 7: Emergence of Modern United States

- PO 1 Describe economic development

Concept 5 Western Expansion

- PO4 Impact of Native American and newcomers

Concept 10

- PO 4 Discuss contribution of diverse populations to Arizona

Strand 4: Geography

Concept 4 Human Systems

- PO4 Describe the cultural characteristics (clothing) of Arizona’s diverse population

Buffalo Soldiers

AZ 4th Grade Social Studies

Strand 1 American History

Concept 5 Westward Expansion

- PO4 Describe the impact of newcomers from the United States on Arizona culture
Concept 6 Civil War and Reconstruction
 - PO5 Describe the conflict of cultures that occurred between Arizona newcomers and Arizona Native Americans (Indian Wars)
- Concept 7 Emergence of the Modern United States
 - PO3 Identify key individuals and groups related to Arizona territorial days and early statehood(e.g. Buffalo Soldiers)

Blacksmith/Jail

AZ 4th Grade Social Studies

Strand 1 American History

- Concept 7 Emergence of the Modern United States
- PO3 Identify key individuals and groups related to Arizona territorial days and early statehood(e.g. Buffalo Soldiers)

Horses Grooming and Tack, Draft Horses

AZ 4th Grade Science

Strand 4: Life science

- Concept 1 Characteristics of Organisms
- PO 1 Animal structure that serve different functions in growth and survival

Character Counts

- Responsibility
- Respect
- Caring

AZ 4th Grade Social Studies

Strand 1: American History

- Concept 7 Emergence of the Modern United States
- PO1 describe the economic development of Arizona: Mining, ranching, farming and dams
 - PO2 Describe the advent of innovations in transportation that helped Arizona's growth and economy(e.g. freighting, stagecoaches)

Cowboy Poetry/Riders in the Sky

AZ 4th Grade Reading

Strand 1: Reading Process

- Concept 5 Fluency
- PO1 Read poetry fluently with expression

Strand 2: Comprehending Literary Text

Concept 1 Elements of Literature

- PO9 Identify characteristics and structural elements of poetry(imagery, rhyme, verse)

Strand 3: Comprehending Informational Text

Concept 3 Persuasive Text

- PO 1 Determine author's Position regarding a particular idea, subject, concept, object

Poetry Contest Activities

AZ 4th Grade Writing

Strand 3: Writing Applications

Concept 1 Expressive

- PO2 write in a variety of expressive forms that may employ figurative language, rhythm, and appropriate format

Strand 1 Writing Process

Concepts 1-5