WAUCONDA SCHOOL DISTRICT 118 UNIT PLANNING ORGANIZER

Subject: Current Issues

Grade Level or Course: Current Issues

Unit: Pacing: 15 days

STAGE 1 – DESIRED RESULTS

Essential Questions:

What should the role of the United States be in the global threat of terrorism? To what extent can the US ensure a positive outcome in the face of global terrorism?

Big Ideas:

What consequences does the US dictate around the world in the fight against terrorists?

CCSS (Priority Standards):

D4.2.9-12. Construct explanations using sound reasoning, correct sequence (linear or non-linear), examples, and details with significant and pertinent information and data, while acknowledging the strengths and weaknesses of the explanation given its purpose (e.g., cause and effect, chronological, procedural, technical).

CCSS (Supporting Standards):

· · D4.2.9-12. Construct explanations using sound reasoning, correct sequence (linear or non-linear), examples, and details with significant and pertinent information and data, while acknowledging the strengths and weaknesses of the explanation given its purpose (e.g., cause and effect, chronological, procedural, technical)

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STAGE 2 – EVIDENCE

Concepts (What students need to know)	Performance Tasks (What students will be able to do)	21st Century Skills
What steps have been used in the past to combat terrorism?	 Debates, Socratic Seminars Make informed decisions and recommendations for future US policy on dealing with terrorism. 	Predict the outcome of the US "war on terrorism" based on their and their classmates reality based recommendations.

Common Formative/Summative Assessments:

Debate, Socratic Seminar

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Interim Assessments (Informal Progress Monitoring checks):

··Debate, Socratic Seminar

Modified Common Assessments:

As per IEP/ 504

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Modified Interim Assessments:

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STAGE 3 – LEARNING PLAN (INSTRUCTIONAL PLANNING)

Suggested Resources/Materials/Informational Texts

Suggested Research-based Effective Instructional Strategies

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Academic Vocabulary/ Word Wall	Enrichment/Extensions/ Modifications	Interdisciplinary Connection
Essential Vocabulary: Radical Religious Movements, Ethnic Cleansing, Sectarian Violence	Classwide debate, Team debate, one on one debate, Socratic Seminar	Public speaking in a calm cool manner on topics that are often emotionally charged.
Worth-knowing Vocabulary:		
See above		