Grade 7 Dimensions of Social Studies - Unit 4: Dimensions of Economics Phoenixville Area School District

	Stage 1 Desired Results					
Overarching PA Core	Transfer					
Standards:	Students will be able to independently use their learning to					
 6.1.7.B Compare decisions made because of limited resources and unlimited wants. 6.2.7.G Examine how various economic systems address the three basic questions. 	 Identify trends in problems overtime to prepare students to be knowledgeable, analytical, and engaged citizens. Engage in research to cite, generate, and evaluate claims and analyze issues to verify the credibility of different points of view. Evaluate how individual and groups reflect, create, and change societal constructs and institutions. Communicate information and ideas through writing, speaking, illustrations, for a target audience using appropriate vocabulary. 					
What to	Meaning Meaning					
produce?	UNDERSTANDINGS	ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS				
How?	Students will understand that	Students will keep considering				
• For whom?	Dimension 1: Developing Questions and Planning Inquiries	Dimension 1 How do I know what questions to ask? What makes a good				
6.3.7.D Identify how governments limit or promote international	 Historians ask both compelling and supporting questions to find the information they need and communicate 	question?				
trade.	ideas.	Dimension 2				
6.4.7.D Explain how transportation,		How does the use of resources define a society's priorities?				

Dimension 2: Applying Disciplinary Concepts and Tools

- Economics shape the ideas, choices, and actions of individuals and groups.
- The desire for economic goods (both buying and selling) creates interdependence as well as conflict.

Dimension 3: Evaluating Sources and Using Evidence

 Every source of information is limited by the author's point of view and the information available to that person.

Dimension 4: Communicating Conclusions and Taking Informed Action

- Effective communicators make thoughtful, original, and creative choices about content, language, and style to convey their message to their target audience in a variety of ways.
- Citizens can change their world through action.

How do changes in economic policy affect individuals and society, including those from various racial/ethnic backgrounds?

Dimension 3

What makes a source trustworthy? What do I do when I disagree?

Dimension 4

What are the main points I am trying to get across? How do I make sure the audience gets them?

How can individuals and groups contribute to their communities and to the world?

Knowledge and Skills Acquisition

Students will know...

Students will be skilled at...

•	Three major types of economies today		
	(Traditional, Free Market, and Command)		

- Consumer Economics
- Scarcity
- Law of Supply and Demand
- Shortage and Surplus
- Economic interdependence
- Economic Choices

VOCABULARY:

- Supply
- Demand
- Shortage
- Surplus
- Capital
- Competition
- Consumption
- Credit
- Debt
- Income
- Interest
- Monopoly
- Profit
- seller's market
- unemployment

- Gathering and using multiple sources
- Using evidence to support a claim

Code	Evaluative	Assessment Evidence		
(A, M,	Criteria			
T)				
	STANDARDS	PERFORMANCE TASK(S):	Differentiation	
	AND CRITERIA		Considerations:	
	FOR SUCCESS:	GOALS: To show modern problems countries have as one of the three major economies		
	your	ROLES: Newscaster	D P	
	performance	AUDIENCE: TV viewer	Depending on	
	needs to meet	SITUATION: Highlight one of the three major economies connected to a present-day country	need, students may	
	the guidelines	PRODUCT: Researched newscast	be assigned a	
	of the rubric		specific economic	
	in the areas of		problem to	
	degrees of		research. Also	
	accuracy,		based on need,	
	understanding		resources may be	
	and clarity.		curated to suit the	
			students, or	
			students can search	
			for their own	
			sources on school	
			databases. Connect	
			with the school	
			librarian for this	
			project.	
		OTHER EVIDENCE:	Differentiation	
			Considerations:	