Content Standards

Each of our Pioneer Program videos align with DPS Social Studies Unit 5: How Do Communities Change?

Our Pioneer Program was created to meet curriculum standard 2-H2.0.6: Construct a historical narrative about the history of the local community from a variety of sources. Each video lesson, activity, art project, and photograph help students create a historical narrative of the city of Dearborn.

Welcome To The Museum Video

- What is the Dearborn Historical Museum?
- What will you learn during this field trip?

Changes Over Time Video Lesson & What Comes 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Activity

- What is the difference between rural & urban?
- How has Dearborn changed over time?
- How can an individual impact history?
- 2-H2.0.3—Explain how individuals and groups have made significant historical changes.
- 2-H2.0.4—Describe changes in the local community overtime.

Gardner House Video Lesson & Log Cabin Coloring Page

- What is the Gardner House, and who were Richard and Elizabeth Gardner?
- How was pioneer life different than how we live today?

One-Room School House Video Lesson, McGuffey Reader Activity & School House Activity

- What was a One-Room Schoolhouse?
- What was it like to go to school in a One-Room School House?
- Can Combine With A Language Arts Lesson.

History And Historians Video Lesson, Timeline Activity & I Am A Historian Activity

- What is history and who studies it?
- How do historians study the past?
- 2-H2.0.1—Demonstrate chronological thinking by distinguishing among years and decades using a timeline of local community events.

Butter Churning Video Lesson & Butter Churning In A Jar Activity

- How did pioneer families obtain and preserve their food?
- What is a butter churn and how was it used?

Early Agriculture Video Lesson & Planting Activity

- Who were Pioneers and how did they live in the past?
- What types of food did pioneers grow?
- 2-H2.0.5—Describe how community members responded to a problem in the past.

Native Americans Video Lesson & Create A Wigwam Art Project

- Which Native American tribes lived in Michigan before pioneers arrived?
- What was life like for Native Americans?
- 2-H2.0.2—Examine different perspectives of the same event in a community and explain how and why they are different.

Pioneer Toys and Games Video Lesson, Hop Scotch Game, & Ducks Fly Game

- How did pioneer children have fun?
- What toys and games did pioneer children play?

