

Irvington UFSD Rubicon Atlas FAQ's

What is Rubicon Atlas?

A website designed to support the creation of school curriculum maps and to communicate grade-by-grade, course specific curriculum objectives.

What is a curriculum map?

A curriculum map is a tool for providing a sequence of learning expectations for the school year. Our curriculum maps identify what we expect our students to know and be able to do at the completion of each course or grade level, reflected through individual units of study.

What can I expect to find on a curriculum map?

Named units of study that include:

- Enduring Understandings - Enduring Understandings (EU) are statements that encompass the “big ideas”. They are concepts that are interdisciplinary and have long lasting value.*
- Essential Questions – Essential Questions (EQ) lie at the heart of a subject or a curriculum. A good essential question promotes inquiry, is debatable and doesn't have one “right” answer. The EQ guides the unit of study and serves as a way to promote “uncoverage” of important ideas and concepts. *
- Content – Content refers to the subject matter itself, key concepts, facts, topics, and important information.
- Skills – Skills are targeting proficiencies, actions and strategies for demonstrating understanding of the content.

* In some units of study you may find both District and Unit EU's and EQ's - this is reflective of some curriculum areas where we have worked K-12 to develop overarching “big ideas” that frame the Unit EU's and EQ's at the different levels.

How do I access Rubicon Atlas?

<https://irvingtonschools-public.rubiconatlas.org>

You will find a welcome letter and guided steps for navigation of the website.

What will I see when I visit the website?

Below is a sample screen. You may select a map by clicking on the course title.

Map Type C indicates consensus map; the agreed upon curriculum for a course or grade

School	Grade	Subject	↓ Course	Map Type	Year
Irvington High School	Grade 10	Mathematics	Alg 2/Trig H	C	2016-2017
Irvington High School	Mixed-Grade Middle School/High School	Mathematics	Algebra 1	C	2016-2017
Irvington High School	Grade 11	Social Studies	American Studies	C	2016-2017
Irvington High School	Mixed-Grade High School	Social Studies	AP American	C	2016-2017

Are the New York State Standards part of the units of study?

Yes, all units of study are based on the New York State or other acceptable set of standards. Due to the length of the standards we have not included them in each map, but you can click below for a direct link to Engageny where all standards can be found.

<https://www.engageny.org/>

Please click below to ask additional Rubicon Atlas questions - we will continue to add frequently asked questions to this FAQ document.

<http://bit.ly/rubiconquestions>