

Dear Parents,

Our unit of study in Social Studies is learning about the life and contributions of Jimmy Carter. We will be discussing how Jimmy Carter showed good leadership skills and compassion for others. This informational letter will help you understand what your child is learning so the content may be discussed at home throughout our study. Listed below is the Georgia Standards of Excellence for our unit. Also included is important vocabulary and examples of what we are learning about.

Happy Learning!

Second Grade Social Studies Teachers

Social Studies Standard:

Standard: SS2H1 Describe the lives and contributions of historical figures in Georgia history.

SS2CG3 Give examples of how the historical figures in SS2H1 demonstrate positive citizenship traits such as: honesty, dependability, trustworthiness, honor, civility, good sportsmanship, patience, and compassion

- Jimmy Carter was the 39th President of the United States.
- As president, Jimmy Carter lived in the White House in Washington, D. C.
- Jimmy Carter was the 1st president from our state of Georgia.
- Jimmy Carter was born in Plains, Georgia.
- Jimmy Carter grew up on a peanut farm in the Coastal Plains.
- When Jimmy went to school as a child, the schools were segregated. He could not go to school with his African American friends.
- Segregation means being separated based on one's skin color.
- After high school, Jimmy Carter joined the United States Navy until he was almost 30.
- Jimmy Carter showed civility by working hard to make sure all people were treated with respect.
- Civility means showing respect for others.
- Jimmy Carter entered politics in 1962 because many African Americans were not treated equally, and he wanted to help make a difference to end segregation.
- Jimmy Carter was elected as Georgia's senator and later as Georgia's governor.
- The governor is the leader of the state.
- Taking care of water, air, and the land was important to Jimmy Carter. As president, he worked hard to help pass laws that protected the environment.
- As president, Jimmy Carter helped create a peace treaty between the leader of Egypt and the leader of Israel.
- In 2002, Jimmy Carter won the Nobel Peace Prize for his efforts in trying to keep peace among people and countries.
- Compassion is caring about other people. Jimmy Carter always tried to help people who needed help.
- Jimmy Carter worked hard volunteering for Habitat for Humanity which builds homes for people in need.

