

MarionMade!

The logo for MarionMade! features the word "Marion" in a bold, red, sans-serif font, followed by "Made!" in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The exclamation point is a red location pin icon with a black outline of the state of Ohio inside it. A small registered trademark symbol (®) is located at the bottom right of the exclamation point.

Our goal of this series of lesson plans is to help the Marion County third grade teachers teach the Ohio Learning Standard for Social Studies theme- *Communities: Past and Present, Near and Far* while building community pride in our future leaders and citizens. It is a resource and supplement for the third-grade teachers.

We have worked with a local third grade teacher Shelley Pickens to create this plan. Shelley is a lifelong resident of Marion and classroom teacher for Marion City Schools, with 22 years of experience teaching elementary school students.

We see the lessons as a springboard for each teacher to be creative and add their ideas to lessons. However, if each teacher is too busy to add to the plans, these are complete enough to meet Ohio standards.

Why did we do this?

- We want to develop students and young citizens that are proud of where they live and learn and to be informed and curious about their community.
- We want our future leaders and citizens to know and love where they live, work and play.
- We want our students in Marion County Schools to stay in our community and keep their talents, knowledge and expertise here. We want them to speak with pride about where they call home. We believe place attachment is important.

That is what MarionMade! is. We want to start young and build on this attachment, so we have a positive future for our students, families, companies and communities. We KNOW that one place we can start to build this love of community is in our schools with your help.

We look forward continuing to work with our schools to build this bright future. We hope this is just the first step!