



Incorporating Vermont PBS Into Your Classroom

Program: *Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum* **Grade(s):** PreK-2

Ways to watch: PBS Kids, Vermont PBS broadcast stations, PBS Kids app, streaming

About: *Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum* follows the adventures of Xavier, Yadina, and Brad as they tackle everyday problems by doing something extraordinary: traveling back in time to learn from real-life inspirational figures when they were kids. Xavier Riddle empowers children to dream big and recognize their ability to make a real and meaningful difference in the world. When children are encouraged to believe in themselves, they are capable of accomplishing amazing things. Efforts to empower children at an early age to recognize and value their own strengths and virtues are greatly needed to help them reach their full potential throughout life. Focusing on building good character and social studies, *Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum* helps children age 4-7 discover the potential and power within themselves to become heroes; encourage positive character qualities; appreciate and value historical figures and the attributes that make them heroes; and learn about societal issues and historical events in fun, compelling and age-appropriate ways.

Primary Connection to the **Vermont Early Learning Standards** (VELS)

III. Learning about the World: Social Studies

Elements		Goals
1.	Inquiry, Evidence, and Action	Children make sense of the world around them by asking questions, actively gathering and interpreting information, and taking informed action.
2.	Family and Community; Civics, Government, and Society	Children identify themselves initially as belonging to a family, a group and a community; eventually they develop awareness of themselves as members of increasingly wider circles of society and learn the skills needed to be a contributing member of society.
3.	Physical and Cultural Geography	Children construct concepts about the physical characteristics and locations of familiar to more distant places, and the impacts of people on the environment. They also construct concepts about their own cultural identity and learn to appreciate other's cultures.
4.	History	Children develop concepts about the passage of time, how the past has been interpreted, and the ability to connect the past with the present.

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5. Economics	Children describe how people interact economically and the occupations that people do to support themselves and society. They also learn about the economic interdependent relationships among people in our society.

Additional VELS' Sections and Domains to Explore with Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum:

• <u>I. Developing Self</u>: Social and Emotional Learning and Development

Resources: Use the following carefully curated resources to support teaching social and emotional skills and more with *Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum*.

For Educators:

- PBS Kids and PBS Learning Media
- Xavier Riddle Resources and Episode Specific Activities
- COVID Related
- AOE Continuity of Learning

For Families:

- PBS Parents
- COVID Related

You may also be interested in these PBS programs:

- Hero Elementary (Science; Social and Emotional Skills)
- Molly of Denali (Social Studies; Literacy)

