



Online Courses for High School Students

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Civics

In this course students will understand the significance of government, law, and politics. They will examine the United States foundational documents and how they shaped the United States government. Students will examine the purposes and functions of federal, state and local government, the justice system, political systems the environment, and the economy. Learners will evaluate their role and civic responsibility to their families, communities, and country including voting and being a productive member of society. Students will get to know leaders and influential people that have championed many causes including civil rights and the environment. Learners will also learn proper ways to interact in society including interpersonal skills and respecting differences in others including disabilities. Learners will follow a step-by-step approach for successfully completing each lesson, which includes textbook reading, interactive activities, supplemental reading, lecture, video clips, and Power Point presentations to enhance and reinforce learning. Learners receive frequent feedback from teacher and peers through discussions. By the end of the course students will have a deep understanding of their civic responsibilities as well as the difference one individual can make in society.

Prerequisite: None

Course Length: One Semester

Required Text: None

Introduction and Foundation of Civics in America

- What is Civics?
- Why Do We Need Government?
- America's Political Heritage
- The Constitution
- The Bill of Rights
- Freedom of Religion
- What Does Freedom of Religion Mean?

American Citizenship

- Citizenship
- Immigrants
- Helping Others
- Information and Freedom
- Duties & Responsibilities of Citizenship

Federal Government

- Political Parties
- The Executive Branch of the Federal Government
- The Legislative Branch of Federal Government
- The Judicial Branch of Federal Government
- Voting and Voting Rights

State Government & The Justice System

- State Government
- Legislative Branch of State Government
- The State Judicial System
- Civil Law and Criminal Law
- The Process of Conducting a Trial
- Rehabilitation and Juvenile Justice

Civics, the Environment, and the Economy

- Land Use and the Environment
- Planned Developments, Property Rights and Public Lands
- Pollution and Recycling
- Thinking About Careers
- Budgeting and Taxes
- The Effects of Advertising
- Decision Making

Civics and You

- Health & Well-Being
- Local Government
- Champions of Freedom
- Community Leaders
- Disability Awareness
- The Importance of Family
- Relationships and Communication
- Using Anger Constructively
- Making a Difference