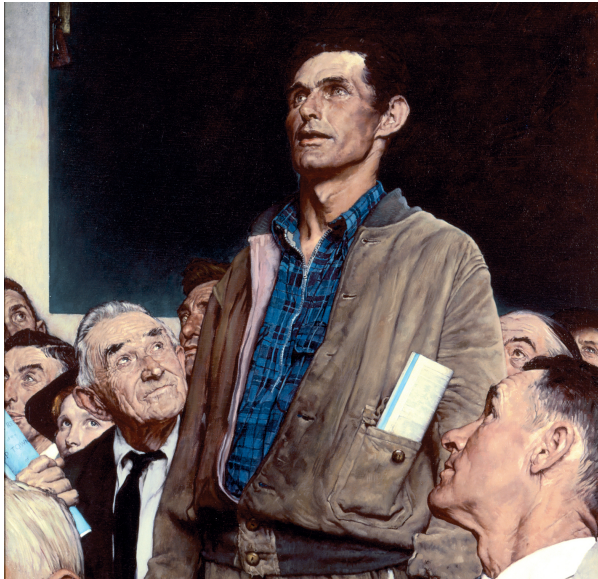


Elementary

- School routines and rules (civic responsibility)
- Community characteristics and roles
 - Neighbors
 - Public services and personnel
- Characteristics of good citizenship
 - In the classroom
 - Classroom responsibilities
 - Social engagement
 - Conflict resolution
 - In the community
 - Leadership in the community
 - Volunteers in the community
- Characteristics of the United States
 - Presidents
 - Civic holidays (Veterans' Day, Memorial Day, Constitution Day, Presidents' Day)
- Concepts of the democratic process
 - Elections
 - Voting to make collective decisions



(Freedom of Speech-Norman Rockwell Museum)

Grade 12: Government

- Current events
- Identifying how personal beliefs align with political parties
- Exploration of political issues and the election process
- Voter registration, voting & civic engagement
- Review structure of federal & Pennsylvania government
 - Branches of government
 - Separation of powers
- Research & discussion of current political issues
- Liberal & conservative viewpoints
- Political Parties: Democratic, Republican & minor
- Electoral process of the Presidency

Grade 12: Political Science

- Foundations of the Republic
- Political lexicon
- United States Constitution
- Civil rights & civil liberties
- United States government structure
 - Branches of government
 - Separation of powers
- Public opinion
- Voter registration, voting & elections
- Formal debates of political science topics
- Written of of debated topics

Grade 12: Western Civ. 2

- Voter registration, voting & elections

Upper Adams School District

Civics Education

Curriculum Scope and Sequence K-12



Mission Statement

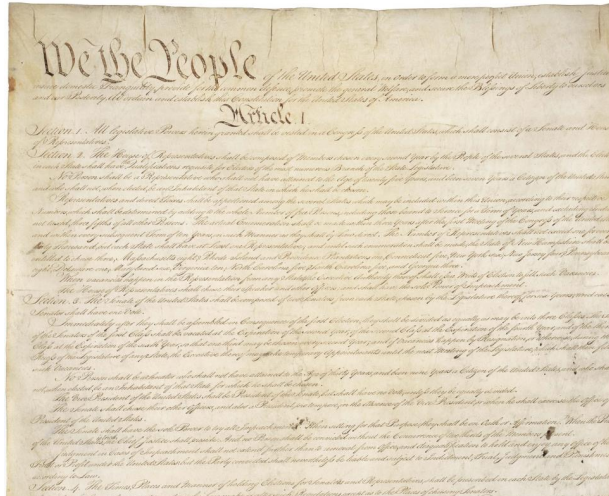
Students will understand the federal, state and local systems of government in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and United States.

Students will evaluate and demonstrate what makes competent, citizens

- Remaining informed
- Identifying political beliefs
- Conflict resolution in society and government
- Civic engagement
- Voting
- Participation in government
- Volunteering in their community and nation

Middle School Grades 7 & 8

- Current events
- Characteristics of Civilization
 - Law
 - Government
 - Religion
 - Technology
 - Art
 - Stable food supply
 - Social structure
- Origins of the Republic
- Historic context of
 - Declaration of Independence
 - Articles of Confederation
 - United States Constitution
 - Bill of Rights
- Early struggles of the Republic
- Essay: What does it mean to be an American?
- Evolving concepts of rights and equality in the developing Republic
- Public speaking and engagement in civil society
- Critical evaluation/understanding bias in historical sources and the modern media
- Analyzing/debating historic events, people and issues from different perspectives



Grade 9: Civics

- Current events
- Liberal & conservative viewpoints
- Identifying bias in news reporting
- Foundations of the Republic
- Structure of the government
 - Federal branches
 - Pennsylvania branches
- Primary source document analysis of
 - Declaration of Independence
 - Articles of Confederation
 - United States Constitution
 - Bill of Rights
- Assessing the justice system of Pennsylvania and the United States
 - Adults
 - Juveniles
- Rights and responsibilities of citizens
 - Civic engagement
 - Debating contemporary issues
 - Mock trials
 - Citizenship test
 - Voting
 - Jury duty

Grade 10: American History

- Current events
- Expansion of rights in the Republic
 - 13th Amendment: abolition of slavery
 - 14th Amendment
 - Birth right citizenship
 - Equal protection of the laws
 - Resolving sectional differences
 - 15th Amendment: suffrage regardless of race, color or previous condition of servitude
 - 19th Amendment: suffrage for women
- Analyzing the role of civic service and public engagement
 - Elected officials
 - Military service
 - Volunteer service
 - Civil protest
- Information gathering and point of view
 - Primary document analysis
 - Yellow journalism & news reporting
 - Locating and evaluating sources
- Historic context and examples of
 - Branches of government
 - Separation of powers
- Rights and roles of citizens in society

Grade 11: Global Studies

- Current events & media bias
- Rise of democracy: ancient Greece through the Enlightenment
- Types of government; comparison thereof
- Engagement of other governments through foreign policy

