

Fact Sheet Seal of Civics Literacy

The Arizona **Seal of Civics Literacy** program recognizes high school students who achieve a high level of proficiency in Civics.



School Eligibility

- Any public school or district can participate.
- Schools/Districts must notify ADE through the <u>Intent to Participate</u> form for the program.
- Each school/district must designate at least one individual to serve as Coordinator of the Program who must complete the <u>Intent to</u> <u>Participate Form</u> & the <u>Reporting Form</u> the following year.

Student Eligibility

- Students must complete all requirements during grades 9-12 (passage of the Arizona Civics Exam can occur grades 7/8).
- Students must complete all social studies courses with an overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 out of a 4.0 scale.
- Students must pass the Arizona State Civics Exam.
- Students must complete activities from each of the 4 categories.
 - Category 1 Civic Learning Program (Select any 3 activities)
 - Category 2 Civic Engagement Activities (Select 2 activities)
 - Category 3 Service Learning and/or Community Service Activities (75 Hours)
 - Category 4 Written Reflection of Program
- Visit the Civics Literacy Seal Website for information about these activities.

Program Outcome

- The Seal of Civics Literacy is placed on the student's diploma and noted on their transcript.
- The Arizona Department of Education does not supply any additional options for recognition.
- Schools/Districts may choose to honor students in their own way.
 - Cord, Certificate, Medals, Ceremony, Banner, etc.

Arizona Civics Test

For all students to meet the civics test graduation requirement, please use the 2008 USCIS test. The current passing rate for students is 60/100 for students graduating through 2025.

Students graduating in 2026 or later must pass the Civics Test with a 70/100.

Visit the Civics Literacy
Seals Website!



QUESTIONS?

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