

Massachusetts Civic Learning Coalition

Working together to build civic learning opportunities



"Civics education is a fundamental right of every student. As a history teacher, I am eager to have access to quality resources that my students can use to learn more about our country, how our government works and the role they play in keeping it strong."

Andrew Swan,
8th Grade Teacher, Newton, MA

Who Are We?

The Massachusetts Civic Learning Coalition

Civic education is a fundamental promise to the leaders of tomorrow. Our democracy depends on it. The 2018 Massachusetts Civic Education Law, Chapter 296: An Act to Promote and Enhance Civic Engagement, and the History and Social Science Curriculum Framework represent important steps in meeting this promise.

The Massachusetts Civic Learning Coalition (MCLC) is a growing nonpartisan member group of nonprofits, educators, universities, and other partners committed to preparing all students to become more civically aware and involved. We exist to make Massachusetts the national leader in ensuring that civics is a core component of every young person's educational journey.

Mission and Vision

Our mission is to advance civic education and engagement in Massachusetts by convening a broad range of stakeholders committed to building support for innovative legislation, funding, and policies that facilitate high quality and equitable learning opportunities for students, teachers, and the wider public.

We envision a Commonwealth where all students have equitable opportunities for high quality civic education that prepare them to be thoughtful, informed, and engaged members of their communities locally and beyond.

What Do We Do?

Promote High Quality Civic Learning in Classrooms and Beyond

- ★ Advocacy for state funding for professional development and other state supports for educators
- ★ Close collaboration with Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) to support equitable implementation of the civics law and other efforts to build a solid foundation for civic education for the long-term
- ★ Free classroom resources and professional development opportunities
- ★ Civic Learning Week, a week-long celebration of civics including workshops, special speakers, demonstrations, and many other events



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Our Members

- AJC New England
- Berkshire County Historical Society
- Bill of Rights Institute
- Boston Athenæum
- Boston Debate League
- Boston Public Library
- Boston University
- Bridgewater State University
- Building Audacity
- Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning and Engagement (CIRCLE), Tufts University Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life
- Children's Voting Colloquium
- Civic.Net
- Cohasset Center for Student Research
- Collaborative for Educational Services
- Constitutional Rights Foundation
- Create Your Own Change Organization (CYOCO)
- Debate Spaces
- Democratic Knowledge Project
- Discovering Justice
- Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University
- Education Development Center
- Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the United States Senate
- Emerging America
- Facing History and Ourselves
- Generation Citizen
- Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts
- Got History, Inc.
- iCivics
- Institute of Politics at Harvard Kennedy School
- iThrive Games & iThrive Games Foundation
- John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum
- John F. Kennedy Library Foundation
- League of Women Voters of Cape Cod
- League of Women Voters of Massachusetts
- Local Civics
- Lowell High School
- Mass Audubon
- Massachusetts Envirothon
- Mass Humanities
- Mass Insight Education & Research
- Massachusetts Center for Civic Education
- Massachusetts Council for the Social Studies
- Massachusetts Historical Society
- Mass Mentoring Partnership
- Media Literacy Now
- New England First Amendment Coalition
- Newton North High School Center for Civic Engagement and Service
- North Andover Public Schools
- Old North Church and Historic Site
- Old Sturbridge Village
- Primary Source
- Project Citizenship
- Re-Imagining Migration
- Revolutionary Spaces, Inc.
- Saint Columbkille Partnership School
- Teach Plus
- Teens Leading The Way
- The Boston Foundation
- Tsongas Industrial History Center, University of Massachusetts Lowell
- United for Social Change
- United Nations Association of Greater Boston
- UTEC
- We Are America
- WriteBoston

What Can You Do?

Join Us!

Become a member. Join our ongoing advocacy campaign. Check out our educator resources. Participate in Civic Learning Week and the many other events and trainings offered by our members.

Join in the national movement to improve civic education and build the democracy of tomorrow.

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